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I. INTRODUCTION

M-Layer is a FORTRAN program for computing the propagation factor of an electromagnetic (EM) wave in a stratified atmosphere. It is desirable to extend the capability of this program to include a layer of random medium representing the air-ocean interface. To achieve this goal, there are many basic theoretical problems which have to be answered. First of all, the effect of the earth curvature in this program is taken care of through the classical earth-flattening approximation [Ref. 1], but the result [Ref. 2] does not agree with the more recent diffraction theory of Fock [Ref. 3] near the surface of the earth. Then there is the question about the better method to model the atmospheric refractive index profile, either piecewise linear or quadratic, to be resolved by a new earth-flattening approximation under development at NPS. The new approximation will also determine the functions to be used for the representation of the EM fields in each layer through uniform asymptotic theories. Within some proper region, these new functions are expected to reduce to the Airy functions utilized by M-Layer. The evolutionary nature of this effort prompted this review to improve the inner workings of the M-Layer program. In particular, the subroutines to search for the modes and those for evaluating the Airy functions will remain as an important part of a program investigating questions about EM wave propagation by solving the related boundary value problem.

It can never be overemphasized that a boundary value problem which includes a layer of random medium or some range dependent inhomogeneity, set up according to the Maxwell equations, will include backscattering in its solution. This is in sharp contrast to those numerical procedures based on the parabolic approximation to the wave equation for which the backscattering is completely ignored.

In what follows, the M-Layer program and the reasons for replacing the extended complex numbers with their complex exponent representations are discussed, together with some other problems encountered and resolved during this investigation.

A. M-LAYER

In M-Layer, the index of refraction of the atmosphere is assumed to be height dependent and is approximated with a continuous piecewise linear profile. The classical earth-flattening approximation is utilized to allow the use of the cylindrical coordinate system while retaining the effect of the curvature of the earth. This is done simply by substituting the index of refraction with the modified index of refraction, which also has a piecewise linear profile [Ref. 1].

The source of the EM radiation is assumed to be either a vertical electric dipole or a vertical "magnetic dipole", with the latter providing an approximation to the radiation of a horizontal electric dipole. The dipole is located along the positive z-axis of the cylindrical coordinate system while the origin is sitting on the ground. The x-y plane is the 'flattened' earth surface. After carrying out the Hankel

transform along the radial direction, the resulting spectrum of the Hertzian dipole field within each layer of a linear segment of the modified refractive index profile is reduced to a linear combination of the Airy functions. Specifically, the layers are numbered to increase with height, with the first layer being the one above the ground. The spectrum of the Hertzian dipole field is proportional to the product of the values, at the transmitter height and at the receiver height respectively, of the height-gain function. At a height within the i -th layer, the height-gain function is given by [Ref. 4]:

$$f_i(\rho, z) = B_i(\rho) [A_i(\rho) k_1(q_i) + k_2(q_i)] , \quad (1)$$

where ρ is the radial component of the propagation vector and is also the spectral variable of the Hankel transform; hence it is the same throughout all layers. It is a complex variable whose imaginary part represents the radial attenuation rate of the spectral component of the Hertzian dipole field. Under the classical earth-flattening approximation, the spectrum of the Hertzian dipole field contains a discrete portion and a branch cut. The discrete spectrum gives rise to the creeping wave modes diffracted by the earth surface and the dielectric waveguide modes supported by the layered atmosphere. The contribution from the branch cut is usually negligible, especially for the field in the shadow of the earth. The M-Layer program locates the discrete spectrum for modes having a radial attenuation rate below a predetermined value. Contributions from these modes determine the propagation factor of the wave.

The variable q_i in the i -th layer is a dimensionless linear function of height z with the free space wavenumber k , the modified index of refraction m_i at the lower boundary $z = z_i$, the slope of the modified index of refraction $\alpha_i/2$ and ρ as parameters:

$$q_i = \sqrt[3]{\left(\frac{k}{\alpha_i}\right)^2 \left(m_i^2 + \alpha_i(z - z_i) - \frac{\rho^2}{k^2}\right)}. \quad (2)$$

The height dependence of the field is given in terms of the functions $k_1(q_i)$ and $k_2(q_i)$, which are proportional to the Airy functions $Ai(-q e^{j2\pi/3})$ and $Ai(-q_i)$ respectively. Of these two functions, at a height so large that q_i is large and positive, $k_1(q_i)$ represents a downward going wave and $e^{j4\pi/3}k_1(q_i) + k_2(q_i)$ represents an upward going wave. The coefficients A_i and B_i are determined by the conditions on the continuity of the Hertzian dipole field and its derivative across layer boundaries and by the normalization condition that the integral of the square of the height-gain function over all height equals unity.

To fulfill the radiation condition, the highest layer is given the same refractive index as the free space above it and only the outgoing wave is allowed within this layer. Below the 'flattened' earth surface, the field is assumed to be a plane wave propagating downward. Hence, only the normalization factors are required in the highest layer and in the ground. By assigning B_i to unity in the highest layer, all the coefficients A_i and B_i can be determined, according to the boundary conditions, to within a multiplicative factor for B_i . This multiplicative factor is then deduced from

the normalization condition. This procedure can also be carried out from the ground level up. That these coefficients can be computed either from the highest level down or from the lowest level up is a result of the fact that ρ belongs to the discrete spectrum of the Hertzian dipole field. Consequently, agreement between these two ways of evaluating the A_i and B_i coefficients confirms that a mode has been located accurately.

B. EXTENDED COMPLEX NUMBER REPRESENTATION

The discrete spectrum of the Hertzian dipole field corresponds to the zeroes of the modal function which is a determinant whose elements consist of $k_1(q_i)$ and $k_2(q_i)$ at the layer boundaries. Numerically, the magnitude of this modal function causes overflow and underflow problems as $k_1(q_i)$ or $k_2(q_i)$ becomes exponentially large or small for complex q_i values. In the M-Layer program, to overcome this problem, a complex number is written as a scaled number, which is complex, multiplied by a scaling factor which is an integer power of e , the base of natural logarithm. This integer is chosen so that the greater of the absolute values of the real part and the imaginary part of the scaled number lies within $e^{\pm 1}$. A complex number written in this form is called an extended complex number. Multiplication of two extended complex numbers requires summing the two integer exponents in addition to carrying out the regular complex multiplication of the scaled numbers. Addition of two such numbers is achieved through the use of an addition subroutine: the larger scaling factor is factored out of both addends before they are combined.

The scaling factor is adjusted after each addition and after a sequence of multiplications to make sure that the resulting scaled number is still within the desired range. Addition is troublesome when the two numbers to be added nearly cancel each other. Under this circumstance, the scaling factors of the two numbers are identical and both the real parts and the imaginary parts of the scaled numbers are almost equal with opposite signs. It is clear that the real part and the imaginary part of the sum lose their accuracies to different degrees; hence the phase angle may incur substantial error. To remedy this situation, interpolation procedures have to be devised.

As two complex numbers come close to cancel each other, they must be out of phase by almost 180 degrees. By factoring out the square root of their product instead of the scale factor, the resulting addends become reciprocal to each other, both lying within an identical small angle to, and on the same side of, the imaginary axis. They are close to the unit circle, but one is on the inside and the other is on the outside. Taking out further a phase factor of $\pi/2$ after writing the addends in their exponential forms, the exponents become small numbers for which a Taylor series expansion of the exponential function converges rapidly and can be used for interpolating the sum to achieve higher accuracy. Note that after the extra phase factor of $\pi/2$ is removed from the addends, it is actually the difference of the resulting two reciprocals which is computed. This procedure effectively picks the direction on the complex plane along which the addends are almost opposing each

other to carry out their cancellation. The resulting sum has a phase angle nearly perpendicular to this chosen direction.

It is evident that the representation of a complex number by its complex exponent of base e provides better phase accuracy for addition. A one-to-one correspondence can be achieved by restricting the imaginary part of this exponent to within $-\pi$ and π . This will be called the exponential representation or the complex exponent representation henceforth. It is convenient for multiplication: adding the complex exponents of the two factors will suffice. Conversion of the M-Layer program from the extended complex number to the complex exponent representation has been carried out.

C. OTHER REVISIONS

As better precision is achieved, problems with the mode search procedure and the evaluation of the A_i and B_i coefficients become severe. They are thoroughly investigated and resolved. For mode search, although the division of the region of interest into "contour rectangles" and further into square "meshes", and the search pattern to traverse the sides of a "contour rectangle" to find and follow "phase lines" introduced, the basic assumption of Shellman and Morfitt [Ref. 5] that both the real and imaginary parts of the modal function are linear along every edge of a mesh is completely abandoned. For the evaluation of the A_i and B_i coefficients, the "test for evanescence" conditions have been removed. A condition to determine whether to evaluate the coefficients from the ground level up or from

the top level down has been fomulated and incorporated into the program. This accomplishment leads to the relaxation of mode locating accuracy requirements which, combined with the improved precision of the revised program, makes the first order Newton-Raphson iteration unnecessary. The specific changes in the program and the resulting gains in speed, accuracy and execution stability are discussed in the following chapters. Suggestions to completely revise the mode search protocol to do without the "contour rectangles" and to look for the modes according to their range attenuation rates are also provided.

II. PROGRAM REVISIONS

M-Layer is structured into three parts: setup, mode search and propagation factor evaluation. The main input is the modified refractive index values at specified heights so that a piecewise linear profile can be constructed. If the mode locations for the particular profile are available from a previous run of the program, they can also be included in the input and the mode search procedures will be bypassed. The various ranges and transmitter and receiver heights for which propagation factors are desired are also specified. The subroutine WVGSTDIN is called to input the information from an ASCII data file. The program then computes the constants to be used for mode search and propagation factor evaluation. The mode search is performed with the subroutine FNDMOD. The MODSUM subroutine is then invoked to first compute the A_i and B_i coefficients as explained in the Introduction, then compute the propagation factor and the propagation loss. The complete program structure is given in Figures 1 and 2. There are several other subroutines which are not included in these and other figures, such as DHORIZ for computing the horizon distance between a transmitter and a receiver for reference purpose; CHKMOD, a maintenance routine for removing zeroes from reported mode locations by older versions of the program; or AO2H2O, a routine to compute the atmospheric absorption coefficient due to oxygen and water vapor. They will not be

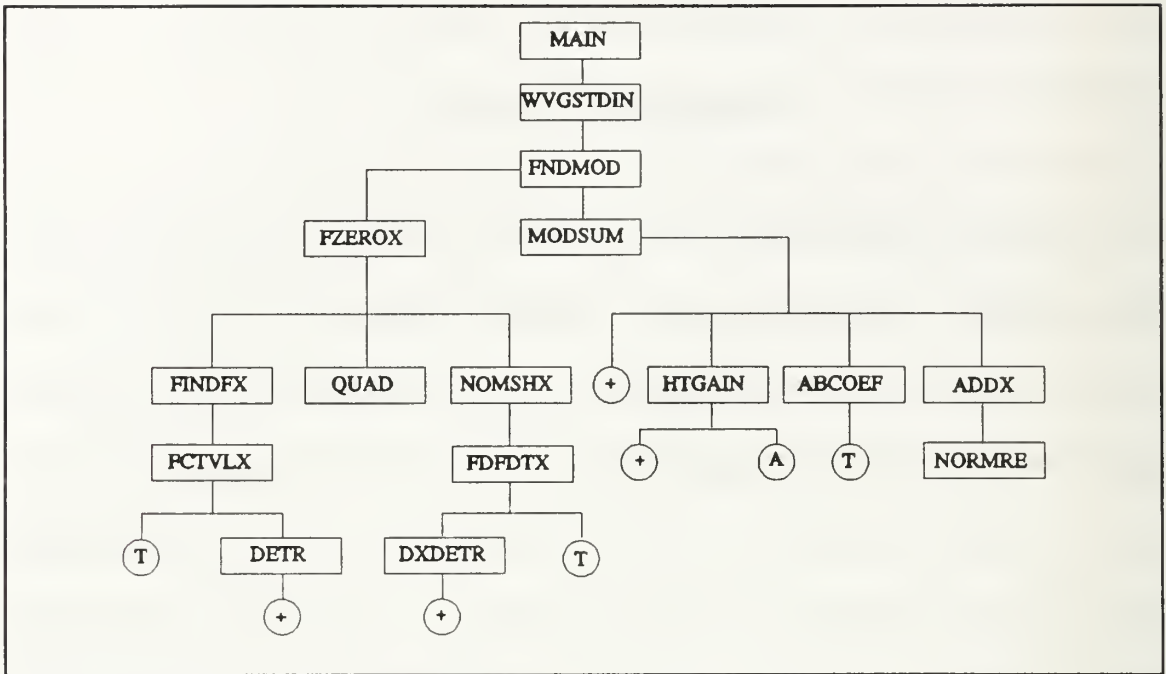


Figure 1 Original M-layer subroutines structure.

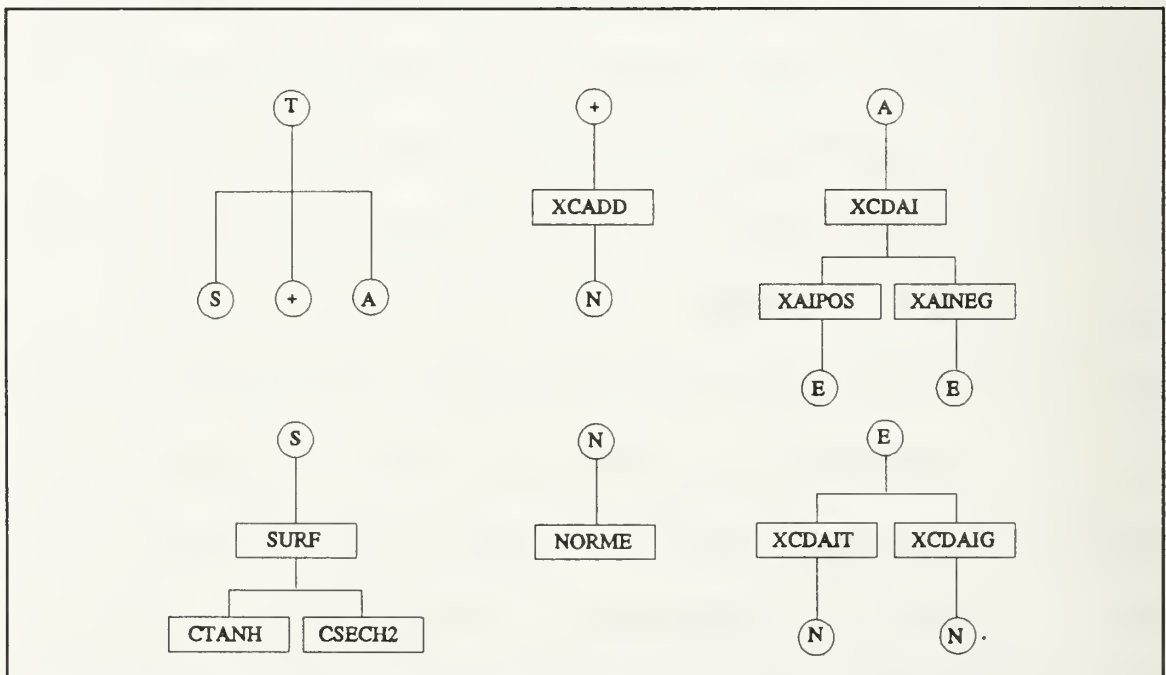


Figure 2 Original M-layer subroutines structure (continued).

discussed as they do not contribute directly to the main purpose of this program of locating the modes and computing the propagation factor.

The program structure has been altered as shown in Figures 3 and 4. Since the A_i and B_i coefficients have to be evaluated only once, they are now obtained through a call to the subroutine ABCOEF directly from the main program right after the modes are located. Several subroutines are dropped in this revision for various reasons: The subroutines NORME and NORMRE are eliminated because they are no longer needed due to the change in complex number representation; the subroutines NOMSHX, FDFDTX and DXDETR are not used because the modes are now located with adequate precision without further iteration; the subroutine ADDX is not listed separately because it is called only once and has been reduced to only a few lines which are placed where the subroutine is called in the original program. On the other hand, changes in the mode search algorithm require the addition of two new subroutines: SURF0 is a modified and simpler version of SURF; ROOTS replaces QUAD. Due to the change in complex number representation, all subroutines listed below FNDMOD and MODSUM have been revised, including their input/output lists. But except for SURF0 and ROOTS, the utilities of these subroutines are the same as those of the original ones. Descriptions of these subroutines can be found in the report by Yeoh [Ref. 4].

The most significant changes have been made in XCADD, XCDAIT and XCDAIG for adopting the complex exponent representation and improving

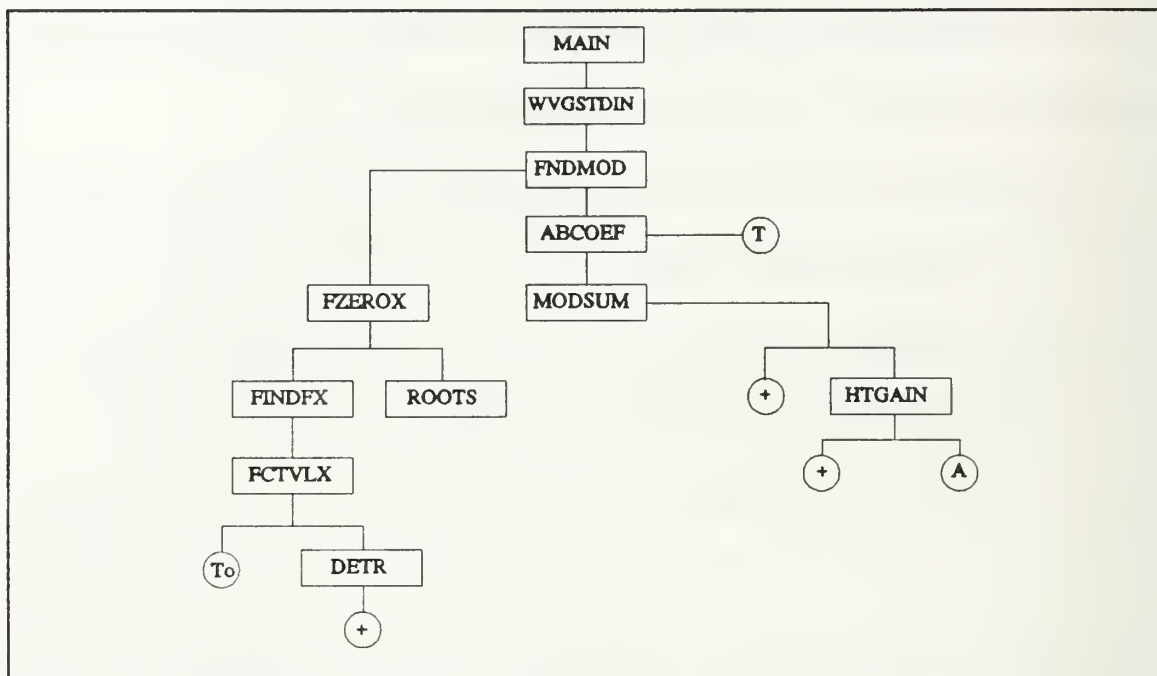


Figure 3 New M-layer subroutines structure.

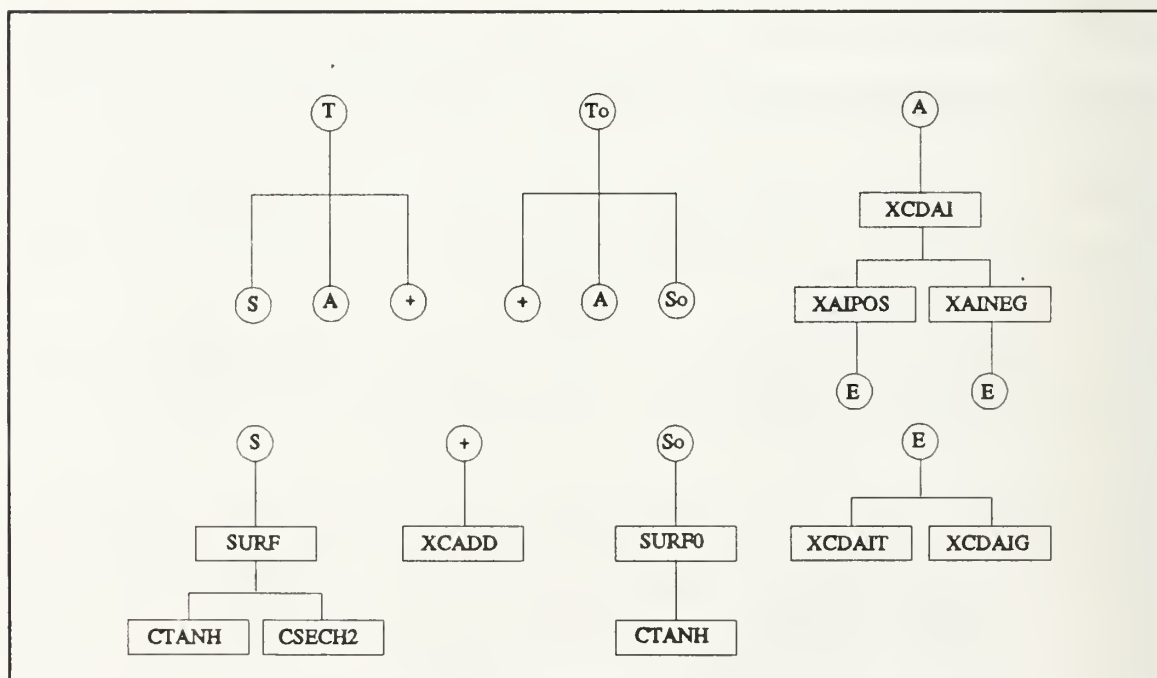


Figure 4 New M-layer subroutines structure (continued).

computation speed and accuracy; in FZEROX, FINDFX, ROOTS and SURF0 for stabilizing and simplifying the mode search algorithm; and in ABCOEF for implementing the criteria to determine the reliable manner for evaluating the A_i and B_i coefficients. These changes are discussed in the sections below. The source code listings of the completely new subroutines XCADD and ROOTS and the significantly revised subroutines FZEROX and ABCOEF, which are compiled with Microsoft FORTRAN version 5.00, are attached as Appendices A through D. Validation of the revised program has been carried out at 9.6 GHz for all the 21 profiles listed in Yeoh [Ref. 4].

A. ADDITION SUBROUTINE

XCADD is the subroutine implementing the addition of complex numbers under the representation by their exponents. Given the double precision complex numbers z_1 and z_2 as the exponents of the addends, this subroutine returns the exponent of the sum. Since a double precision number has an accuracy of 53 bits, if the real parts of z_1 and z_2 differ by more than 53 bits, the exponent of their sum will simply be the one of the greater real part. When cancellation becomes serious, the square root of the addends is factored out first. Then the four-term Taylor series expansions of the resulting reciprocals are summed. Since the leading term of the sum of the Taylor series is a good estimate of the sum of the reciprocals and the relative error of the four-term Taylor series sum is proportional to the fourth order

of this leading term, the threshold for invoking this interpolation procedure is set at the highest possible value of 2^{-14} allowed under double precision. Experimenting with this procedure shows that this interpolation improves accuracy as long as the threshold is set at a number between 2^{-24} and 2^{-14} .

B. AIRY FUNCTION EVALUATION

Similar to the original program, the evaluation of the Airy function adopted the algorithm prescribed by Schulten, et. al. [Ref. 6]. In the new program, changes are made to follow the advice of Schulten, et. al. concerning the region within which a Taylor series expansion, instead of the faster Gaussian quadrature, has to be used to achieve double precision accuracy. Other changes in implementing the algorithm are described below.

1. XCDAIT

Due to the similarity in their Taylor series coefficients, the Airy function and its derivative are evaluated within a single loop. The relative accuracy of the derivative of the Airy function is set at the double precision limit of 2^{-54} .

2. XCDAIG

Six term Gaussian quadrature is used for evaluating the Airy function and its derivative outside the circle of radius 4.97 centered at (0.90, 2.80) on the complex plane. The use of four-term quadrature outside a radius of 15 from the origin suggested by Schulten, et. al. is not adopted. The six-term quadrature in this range

retains a higher accuracy while overall speed improvement by using both the four-term and the six-term quadrature appears to be minimal.

C. MODE LOCATING

As explained in the Introduction, the modes are located at the zeroes of the modal function. These zeroes are located on the upper complex q_{11} plane. Here q_{11} is the value of q_1 on the earth's surface, which, according to Eq.(2) of Chapter I, is a linear function of ρ^2 . For a horizontally propagating mode, ρ/k is close to unity. The maximum range attenuation rate specified for the desired modes, which corresponds to a limit on the imaginary part of ρ , determines approximately the upper bound for the imaginary part of the q_{11} complex plane to be searched for modes. The Shellman and Morffit mode search procedure first divides the search region horizontally into "contour rectangles" each of which spans 160 meshes along the real q_{11} direction. A mesh is a square whose size is an adjustable parameter of the order 10^{-4} at 9.6 GHz for most of the cases considered herein. This parameter is determined by the frequency and the slope of the modified index of reflection in the lowest layer of the profile. The search commences at the top left corner of the "contour rectangle" whose left edge has a real coordinate value close to the difference of the real parts of the q_{11} values, with the minimum modified index of refraction and the index near the surface substituted into Eq.(2) of Chapter I. After the search over the initial rectangle is completed, the program moves to search the

next rectangle until a specified maximum number of modes are found or a specified number of "contour rectangles" have been searched.

The search for zeroes makes use of the fact that a real function changes sign when it crosses a simple zero. Since a zero of a complex valued function $F(q)$ is where both its real part and imaginary part vanish, a necessary condition for a point q_m to be a zero is that it is on the intersection of two curves defined by $\text{Im}\{F(q)\} = 0$ and $\text{Re}\{F(q)\} = 0$. The program searches around a "contour rectangle" for a sign change in $\text{Im}\{F(q)\}$ across an edge of a mesh bordering the side of the "contour rectangle" to determine that a line of $\text{Im}\{F(q)\} = 0$ has been encountered. The search then follows this line into the meshes within the "contour rectangle", checking each mesh to see if a curve $\text{Re}\{F(q)\} = 0$ enters the mesh under investigation. All these steps make use only of the assumption that the zeroes of the modal function are simple. Once both the curve $\text{Im}\{F(q)\} = 0$ and the curve $\text{Re}\{F(q)\} = 0$ are determined to be present within a mesh, the location of their possible interception is estimated. An algorithm for this estimate is required.

Shellman and Morffit [Ref. 5] introduced a further assumption that the functions $\text{Re}\{F(q)\}$ and $\text{Im}\{F(q)\}$ are both linear along the edges of a mesh. Based on this assumption, they try to estimate the locations where the curve $\text{Im}\{F(q)\} = 0$ enters and leaves a mesh square, and the location of q_m if a curve $\text{Re}\{F(q)\} = 0$ also enters the same mesh. It is obvious that information about the locations where the curves enter and leave the mesh square is not essential. Furthermore, in the 18

m duct height case, the scheme causes the search path to loop around four contiguous meshes until the search is broken up by the limit on the number of meshes to be investigated. Replacing their technique requires major changes in the subroutines involved. A new subroutine **ROOTS** is provided to estimate the location of the intersection of the curves $\text{Im}\{F(q)\} = 0$ and $\text{Re}\{F(q)\} = 0$. These changes eliminate the looping problem.

Another problem is encountered in the 40 m duct height case when a large number of zeroes are found in the lower half complex q_{11} plane. These zeroes appear to belong to the reflection coefficient on the wrong sheet of the branch cut and are not waveguide modes. This happens because the search region has been extended below the real q_{11} axis to avoid the singularity in **SURF**. The problem with this singularity should have been solved within **SURF**, especially because it occurs only when the derivative of the subroutine output variable **gamma** with respect to q_{11} is computed. Since this derivative is not needed during mode search, the extension of the search region to the negative q_{11} plane is unnecessary. A simplified routine, **SURF0**, is introduced which is exactly the same as **SURF** except that it does not evaluate the derivative of **gamma**. By using this subroutine instead of **SURF**, the search path in the revised program does not avoid the real and the imaginary axes.

1. **FNDMOD**

The search region is limited to the upper half q_{11} plane. All the modes found are ordered according to their range attenuation rates before those numbered beyond the maximum modes allowed are abandoned.

2. FZEROX

Since the curve $\text{Im}\{F(q)\} = 0$ enters into a mesh square through an edge, the values of $\text{Im}\{F(q)\}$ must change sign over the end points of either one or all three other edges. When there is only one other edge across which $\text{Im}\{F(q)\}$ changes sign at its end points, it is the edge across which the curve $\text{Im}\{F(q)\} = 0$ exits the mesh square. Ambiguity arises when all edges indicate a change of sign at their end points. When this occurs, a "right turn rule" is adopted which assumes that the curve exits the edge to the right of the one along which it enters the mesh square. Such a rule avoids the retracing of the search path when the mesh square is revisited as entering this same mesh square from the left side of an edge after exiting from its right side requires a crossing of the $\text{Im}\{F(q)\} = 0$ curve, which is prohibited under the simple zero assumption. On the other hand, the actual curve may have turned left and then returns to this mesh square, i.e., following a "left turn rule." Under such a scenario, this wrong choice would have left a segment of the curve not searched. This difficulty has not been observed during testing. In fact, the ambiguous situation seldom occurs. Note also that, as remarked above, two lines of $\text{Im}\{F(q)\} = 0$ do not cross each other unless a higher order zero is present. Hence, only a "right turn rule" or a "left turn rule" for the curve to exit the mesh is allowed.

Exiting the opposite edge demands a pair of crossing $\text{Im}\{F(q)\} = 0$ curves within the mesh square. This violates the assumption that all zeroes are simple. Also note that, the possibility of vanishing $\text{Re}\{F(q)\}$ or $\text{Im}\{F(q)\}$ values at the corners of a mesh square is eliminated through a small adjustment in **FINDFX**.

3. **FINDFX**

Both the vertical shift away from the real q_{11} axis and the horizontal offset away from the imaginary axis are unnecessary and have been removed from this routine. Furthermore, as a result of converting to the complex exponent representation, the sine and cosine of the argument of the modal functions are examined for sign changes in **FZEROX**. This is implemented in **FINDFX** by including the cosine and sine values of the argument of the modal function in the output list. To avoid the indeterminate case when either the real or the imaginary part of the modal function becomes zero at any corner of a mesh square, the argument for computing the cosine and sine values is increased by 2^{-53} when this occurs. This is equivalent to a consistent small distortion of the particular corner of the mesh square. This will not cause any error in locating the zero because **FINDFX** still returns separately the unmodified exponent of the value of the modal function.

4. **ROOTS**

Assuming that the modal function is analytic within the mesh, this subroutine utilizes the values of the modal function at the four corners of the mesh

square to determine the Taylor series expansion coefficients of the modal function to the third order. The roots of this cubic polynomial are then located using Cardan's solution by radicals. If the higher order coefficients fall below machine resolution for a root within the mesh square, these coefficients are regarded as zero and the order of the polynomial is reduced and can be solved more expediently. If the function is determined to be constant over the mesh square, the center of the square is taken as the root location.

D. EVALUATING A_i AND B_i

As discussed in the Introduction, the A_i and B_i coefficients can be evaluated either from the top level down or from the lowest level up. These two procedures are simply called "integration down" and "integration up", respectively, in the original documentation [Ref. 4]. The location of a mode has been called an eigenvalue. That the results of "integration down" and "integration up" agree is a manifestation that the eigenvalue is located accurately.

The subroutine ABCOEF evaluates the coefficients A_i and B_i for each mode. If the range attenuation rate for a mode is greater than 0.1 dB/km, the coefficients are evaluated from the lowest layer up. Otherwise, it is evaluated from the top layer down. It is obvious that such a rule must be implemented because the results of "integration up" and "integration down" do not agree for many modes. Efforts are made to determine the cause of this discrepancy and to devise a means to resolve it.

Investigation reveals that inadequate precision in the location of the modes is one source of the problem. Since the B_i coefficients depend on the A_i coefficients, while the A_i coefficients are obtained directly, only the A_i coefficients need to be examined. The A_i coefficients of the six modes of lowest range attenuation rates for all 21 profiles except the one without evaporation duct are computed using eigenvalues of different accuracy controlled by the first order Newton-Raphson iteration method. Table 1 shows the A_i coefficient computed with the new program. They are arranged from the top layer down. In the i -th layer, the A_i coefficient computed by "integration downward" depends only on A_{i+1} in the layer above while that computed by "integration upward" depends only on A_{i-1} in the layer below. Hence in each layer, the coefficient obtained by "integration downward" is listed above that obtained by "integration upward". There are five sets of A_i values listed, with the magnitudes given in powers of 10, and the phase given as a multiple of π . They are obtained from eigenvalues of decreasing accuracy -the one used to compute the left most column being the most accurate. The first set is computed using an eigenvalue having a relative accuracy of 2^{-40} . The second set uses an eigenvalue with a relative accuracy of 2^{-36} . The relative accuracy of the eigenvalue for the third set is 2^{-36} . For the fourth set, the first order Newton-Raphson iteration of the mode location is set at an absolute accuracy of 0.03 of the mesh size, same as that specified in the original program. The eigenvalue for the right most set is the mode location estimated by ROOTS without modification by the Newton-Raphson iteration. It is

TABLE 1. IMPROVING A_i ACCURACY WITH EIGENVALUE 18 M DUCT

mode 4		q-eigenvalue:		.1888574325176803D+00		.1080678744810598D-01			
eigenvalue difference:		.00D+00 .00D+00		-.49D-13 -.66D-15		.12D-11 -.12D-10		.15D-06 .60D-07	
layer #	Ai/down	Ai/down		Ai/down		Ai/down		Ai/down	
layer #	Ai/up	Ai/up		Ai/up		Ai/up		Ai/up	
18	.0261 .6719	.0261 .6719		.0261 .6719		.0261 .6719		.0261 .6719	
18	.0261 .6719	.0261 .6719		.0261 .6719		.0261 .6719		.0261 .6719	
17	-.0625 .6368	-.0625 .6368		-.0625 .6368		-.0625 .6368		-.0625 .6368	
17	-.0625 .6368	-.0625 .6368		-.0625 .6368		-.0625 .6368		-.0625 .6368	
16	.0139 .7440	.0139 .7440		.0139 .7440		.0139 .7440		.0139 .7440	
16	.0139 .7440	.0139 .7440		.0139 .7440		.0139 .7440		.0139 .7440	
15	.1216 .6353	.1216 .6353		.1216 .6353		.1216 .6353		.1216 .6353	
15	.1216 .6353	.1216 .6353		.1216 .6353		.1216 .6353		.1216 .6353	
14	.0166 .5471	.0166 .5471		.0166 .5471		.0166 .5471		.0166 .5471	
14	.0166 .5471	.0166 .5471		.0166 .5471		.0166 .5471		.0166 .5471	
13	-.1565 .5310	-.1565 .5310		-.1565 .5310		-.1565 .5310		-.1565 .5310	
13	-.1565 .5310	-.1565 .5310		-.1565 .5310		-.1565 .5310		-.1565 .5310	
12	-.3842 .5659	-.3842 .5659		-.3842 .5659		-.3842 .5659		-.3843 .5659	
12	-.3842 .5659	-.3842 .5659		-.3842 .5659		-.3842 .5659		-.3842 .5659	
11	-2.2002 -.8081	-2.2002 -.8081		-2.2002 -.8081		-2.2002 -.8081		-2.1909 -.8068	
11	-2.2002 -.8081	-2.2002 -.8081		-2.2002 -.8081		-2.2002 -.8081		-2.2002 -.8081	
10	-5.4648 .2423	-5.4648 .2423		-5.4648 .2423		-5.4654 .2423		-4.1810 -.2161	
10	-5.4648 .2423	-5.4648 .2423		-5.4648 .2423		-5.4648 .2423		-5.4647 .2423	
9	-3.6974 -.6979	-3.6974 -.6979		-3.6974 -.6980		-3.6783 -.7012		-6.4611 -.2121	
9	-3.6978 -.6978	-3.6978 -.6978		-3.6978 -.6978		-3.6978 -.6978		-3.6977 -.6978	
8	.3459 -.7982	.3459 -.7982		.3460 -.7982		.3482 -.7926		-1.9078 -.9148	
8	.3459 -.7983	.3459 -.7983		.3459 -.7983		.3459 -.7983		.3459 -.7983	
7	.4098 .8794	.4098 .8794		.4098 .8794		.4136 .8836		-1.0899 .5364	
7	.4097 .8793	.4097 .8793		.4097 .8793		.4097 .8793		.4097 .8793	
6	.3480 .8161	.3480 .8161		.3480 .8161		.3526 .8205		-.5879 .4005	
6	.3479 .8160	.3479 .8160		.3479 .8160		.3479 .8160		.3479 .8160	
5	.2923 .8304	.2923 .8304		.2923 .8304		.2972 .8358		-.3490 .3749	
5	.2922 .8303	.2922 .8303		.2922 .8303		.2922 .8303		.2922 .8303	
4	.2359 .8619	.2359 .8619		.2360 .8619		.2408 .8690		-.2058 .3731	
4	.2358 .8618	.2358 .8618		.2358 .8618		.2358 .8618		.2358 .8618	
3	.1831 .8910	.1831 .8910		.1832 .8910		.1878 .9003		-.1250 .3753	
3	.1831 .8908	.1831 .8908		.1831 .8908		.1831 .8908		.1831 .8908	
2	.1300 .9149	.1300 .9149		.1301 .9149		.1342 .9275		-.0734 .3750	
2	.1300 .9146	.1300 .9146		.1300 .9146		.1300 .9146		.1300 .9146	
1	.0586 .9335	.0586 .9335		.0588 .9335		.0618 .9545		-.0318 .3670	
1	.0586 .9331	.0586 .9331		.0586 .9331		.0586 .9331		.0586 .9331	

clear that, for this mode, the difference between these two methods of computing the coefficients becomes negligible as the accuracy in mode location increases. For example, in the 8-th layer, the magnitude of A_i computed by integrating downward changes from -1.9078 to 0.3482 , to 0.3460 to 0.3459 , which agrees with the result computed by integrating upward. The phase follows the same trend to an agreement within 0.001π . Table 2 shows a similar set of output, but the coefficients fail to agree even when the relative accuracy is increased to 2^{-40} . Note that the actual difference in both the real part and the imaginary part of the two most accurate eigenvalues is about 2^{-48} . Double precision accuracy appears to be insufficient for the coefficients computed with these two methods to agree for all modes. Some interesting features can be observed in both tables, which are present in all 120 sets of values computed. When disagreement is present in one set of A_i coefficients, such as those in either Table 1 or Table 2, the change toward smaller differences with improving eigenvalue accuracy occurs mainly in one way of computation, but not both. For example, in Table 1, the values of "integration downward" improve with better eigenvalue accuracy, while those computed by "integrating upward" change little. In Table 2, the results of "integration downward" are the ones that are holding steady as the accuracy in eigenvalue improves. Furthermore, when disagreement occurs, the layer in which the A_i coefficient has the smallest magnitude, i.e., the one having the most negative power of 10, divides the table into two parts. The results of two different ways of computation agree in the layers above this one if they disagree in those below it, and vice versa. No explanation will be attempted. Instead, practical rules are drawn up

TABLE 2. IMPROVING A_i ACCURACY WITH EIGENVALUE 36 M DUCT

mode 3		q-eigenvalue: .3148000164781392D+00		.1479622940572007D-02					
eigenvalue difference:		.38D-14	.36D-14	.38D-14	.36D-14	-.16D-09	-.22D-09	-.53D-07	.28D-07
layer #	Ai/down	Ai/down		Ai/down		Ai/down		Ai/down	
layer #	Ai/up	Ai/up		Ai/up		Ai/up		Ai/up	
27	-.0009 .6663	-.0009 .6663	-.0009 .6663	-.0009 .6663	-.0009 .6663	-.0009 .6663	-.0009 .6663	-.0009 .6663	-.0009 .6663
27	.2353 .7582	.2353 .7582	.2353 .7582	.2353 .7582	.2353 .7582	.2353 .7582	.2353 .7582	.2353 .7582	.2353 .7582
26	.0007 .6678	.0007 .6678	.0007 .6678	.0007 .6678	.0007 .6678	.0007 .6678	.0007 .6678	.0007 .6678	.0007 .6678
26	-.0111 .3659	-.0111 .3659	-.0111 .3659	-.0111 .3659	-.0111 .3659	-.0111 .3659	-.0111 .3659	-.0111 .3659	-.0111 .3659
25	.0022 .6657	.0022 .6657	.0022 .6657	.0022 .6657	.0022 .6657	.0022 .6657	.0022 .6657	.0022 .6657	.0022 .6657
25	-1.8851 .3913	-1.8851 .3913	-1.8851 .3913	-1.8851 .3913	-1.8851 .3913	-1.8851 .3913	-1.8851 .3913	-1.8852 .3913	-1.8852 .3913
24	.0001 .6809	.0001 .6809	.0001 .6809	.0001 .6809	.0001 .6809	.0001 .6809	.0001 .6809	.0001 .6809	.0001 .6809
24	-7.4914 .6081	-7.4914 .6081	-7.4914 .6081	-7.4914 .6081	-7.4914 .6081	-7.4914 .6081	-7.4914 .6081	-7.4914 .6081	-7.4914 .6081
23	-2.9495 .5951	-2.9495 .5951	-2.9495 .5951	-2.9495 .5951	-2.9495 .5951	-2.9495 .5951	-2.9495 .5951	-2.9495 .5951	-2.9495 .5951
23	-14.5340 .7973	-14.5340 .7973	-14.5340 .7973	-14.5340 .7973	-14.5340 .7973	-14.5340 .7973	-14.5340 .7973	-14.5340 .7973	-14.5340 .7973
22	-12.1956 .9278	-12.1956 .9278	-12.1956 .9278	-12.1956 .9278	-12.1956 .9278	-12.1956 .9278	-12.1956 .9278	-12.1956 .9278	-12.1956 .9278
22	-23.5827 -.9407	-23.5827 -.9406	-23.5827 -.9406	-23.5827 -.9406	-23.5827 -.9406	-23.5827 -.9406	-23.5827 -.9406	-23.5827 -.9406	-23.5827 -.9406
21	-35.2395 -.2502	-35.2395 -.2502	-35.2395 -.2502	-35.2395 -.2502	-35.2395 -.2502	-35.2395 -.2502	-35.2395 -.2502	-35.2396 -.2501	-35.2396 -.2501
21	-44.4517 -.8199	-45.8691 .8599	-45.8691 .8599	-45.8691 .8599	-45.8691 .8599	-47.4590 -.1252	-47.4590 -.1252	-47.4594 -.1251	-47.4594 -.1251
20	-131.3304 -.9570	-131.3304 -.9570	-131.3304 -.9570	-131.3304 -.9570	-131.3304 -.9570	-131.3304 -.9570	-131.3304 -.9570	-131.3307 -.9569	-131.3307 -.9569
20	-129.0146 -.2961	-127.6070 .0248	-127.6070 .0248	-127.6070 .0248	-127.6070 .0248	-122.9124 -.9081	-122.9124 -.9081	-120.9305 .8279	-120.9305 .8279
19	-25.6088 -.9230	-25.6088 -.9230	-25.6088 -.9230	-25.6088 -.9230	-25.6088 -.9230	-25.6088 -.9230	-25.6088 -.9230	-25.6088 -.9230	-25.6088 -.9230
19	-25.6090 -.9228	-25.6184 -.9241	-25.6184 -.9241	-25.6184 -.9241	-25.6184 -.9241	-22.5644 -.8054	-22.5644 -.8054	-20.2166 .7391	-20.2166 .7391
18	-13.6970 .6510	-13.6970 .6510	-13.6970 .6510	-13.6970 .6510	-13.6970 .6510	-13.6970 .6510	-13.6970 .6510	-13.6970 .6510	-13.6970 .6510
18	-13.6970 .6510	-13.6970 .6510	-13.6970 .6510	-13.6970 .6510	-13.6970 .6510	-13.0618 .7675	-13.0618 .7675	-10.8148 .3440	-10.8148 .3440
17	-7.0384 .4145	-7.0384 .4145	-7.0384 .4145	-7.0384 .4145	-7.0384 .4145	-7.0384 .4145	-7.0384 .4145	-7.0384 .4145	-7.0384 .4145
17	-7.0384 .4145	-7.0384 .4145	-7.0384 .4145	-7.0384 .4145	-7.0384 .4145	-7.0308 .4179	-7.0308 .4179	-6.3129 .1800	-6.3129 .1800
16	-3.3146 .2991	-3.3146 .2991	-3.3146 .2991	-3.3146 .2991	-3.3146 .2991	-3.3146 .2991	-3.3146 .2991	-3.3146 .2991	-3.3146 .2991
16	-3.3146 .2991	-3.3146 .2991	-3.3146 .2991	-3.3146 .2991	-3.3146 .2991	-3.3146 .2991	-3.3146 .2991	-3.3116 .2970	-3.3116 .2970
15	-2.3132 .2632	-2.3132 .2632	-2.3132 .2632	-2.3132 .2632	-2.3132 .2632	-2.3132 .2632	-2.3132 .2632	-2.3132 .2632	-2.3132 .2632
15	-2.3132 .2632	-2.3132 .2632	-2.3132 .2632	-2.3132 .2632	-2.3132 .2632	-2.3132 .2632	-2.3132 .2632	-2.3127 .2629	-2.3127 .2629
14	-1.5669 .2415	-1.5669 .2415	-1.5669 .2415	-1.5669 .2415	-1.5669 .2415	-1.5669 .2415	-1.5669 .2415	-1.5669 .2415	-1.5669 .2415
14	-1.5669 .2415	-1.5669 .2415	-1.5669 .2415	-1.5669 .2415	-1.5669 .2415	-1.5669 .2415	-1.5669 .2415	-1.5668 .2415	-1.5668 .2415
13	-1.0838 .2352	-1.0838 .2352	-1.0838 .2352	-1.0838 .2352	-1.0838 .2352	-1.0838 .2352	-1.0838 .2352	-1.0838 .2352	-1.0838 .2352
13	-1.0838 .2352	-1.0838 .2352	-1.0838 .2352	-1.0838 .2352	-1.0838 .2352	-1.0838 .2352	-1.0838 .2352	-1.0838 .2352	-1.0838 .2352
12	-.6983 .2432	-.6983 .2432	-.6983 .2432	-.6983 .2432	-.6983 .2432	-.6983 .2432	-.6983 .2432	-.6983 .2432	-.6983 .2432
12	-.6983 .2432	-.6983 .2432	-.6983 .2432	-.6983 .2432	-.6983 .2432	-.6983 .2432	-.6983 .2432	-.6983 .2432	-.6983 .2432
11	-.3754 .2712	-.3754 .2712	-.3754 .2712	-.3754 .2712	-.3754 .2712	-.3754 .2712	-.3754 .2712	-.3754 .2712	-.3754 .2712
11	-.3754 .2712	-.3754 .2712	-.3754 .2712	-.3754 .2712	-.3754 .2712	-.3754 .2712	-.3754 .2712	-.3754 .2712	-.3754 .2712
10	-.0102 .3619	-.0102 .3619	-.0102 .3619	-.0102 .3619	-.0102 .3619	-.0102 .3619	-.0102 .3619	-.0102 .3619	-.0102 .3619
10	-.0102 .3619	-.0102 .3619	-.0102 .3619	-.0102 .3619	-.0102 .3619	-.0102 .3619	-.0102 .3619	-.0102 .3619	-.0102 .3619

to take advantage of these facts. In Table 1, the process of "integration upward" goes through the troublesome 10-th layer and produces results which agree with the results of downward integration before the downward process goes through the 10-th layer. On the other hand, the downward integration is tripped up going across the 10-th layer and produces results which fail to agree with the results from upward integration. It is clear that the results from upward integration are the correct ones. This conclusion is further supported by the fact that improving the accuracy of the eigenvalue does not change significantly the results of upward integration. Similar argument leads to the conclusion that in Table 2, the results of downward integration are the correct values.

It can be concluded from the above observations that one of the methods of computing the A_i coefficients converges to the correct value much faster than the other. It is also found that this method of faster convergence is always able to arrive at the correct values for A_i for all the cases under investigation.

Table 3 lists the statistics of the method of integration which yields the correct A_i coefficients for each of the 120 modes investigated. The differences in magnitudes and phases in the lowest layer and in the layer below the highest are also listed. Since for most of the cases, when disagreement in A_i values occurs, the correct integration is upward -this is used as the default. To decide that downward integration should be utilized, the following steps are taken: The first A_i value of downward integration is computed and compared to the value from upward integration. If the magnitudes in dB disagree by less than 0.02 dB, their phases will

be checked. If the phases differ by less than $10^{-3}\pi$, the agreement is deemed acceptable and the A_i and B_i coefficients computed from the lowest layer up are used. Otherwise, the coefficients are re-evaluated again from the highest layer down.

Once the correct method of evaluating the A_i and B_i coefficients is used, the accuracy of the mode location becomes less critical. For all the cases investigated, the A_i coefficients obtained from mode locations estimated with or without the Newton-Raphson first order iteration differ only by 0.06 dB in magnitude and 0.0013π in phase at most. In fact, few cases show differences more than 0.002 dB and 0.0001π . The Newton-Raphson iteration is not needed. Hence the subroutines NOMSHX, FDFDTX and DXDETR are removed.

TABLE 3. STATISTICS FOR EVALUATING A_i COEFFICIENT

Duct height	Mode #	Evaluating Method		$\Delta A_i $ (dB)		$\Delta \arg(A_i)/\pi$	
				Layer		Layer	
		up	down	bottom	top-1	bottom	top-1
02	1	x					
	2	x					
	3	x					
	3	x		0.172		0.093	
	5	x					
	6	x		8.362		1.3234	
04	1	x					
	2	x					
	3	x		0.008		0.0002	
	3	x		1.030		1.8717	
	5	x		7.814		1.2948	
	6	x		0.002		0.0001	
06	1	x					
	2	x		0.002		0.0004	
	3	x		0.522		0.0158	
	4	x					
	5	x		13.278		0.4377	
	6	x		0.002		0.0001	
08	1	x					
	2	x		0.002			
	3	x		0.002		0.0001	0.0001
	4	x		0.016		0.0026	
	5	x		4.066		0.6355	
	6	x		3.978		0.6186	

TABLE 3. CONTINUED 1.

Duct height	Mode #	Evaluating Method		$\Delta A_i $ (dB)		$\Delta \arg(A_i)/\pi$	
				Layer		Layer	
		up	down	bottom	top-1	bottom	top-1
10	1	x					
	2	x				0.0002	
	3	x				0.0001	
	4	x		0.04		0.0008	
	5	x		0.206		0.0402	0.0001
	6	x		0.002		0.0003	
12	1	x					
	2	x		0.006		0.0003	
	3	x		0.004			
	4	x		1.808		0.5661	
	5	x		1.732		0.5429	
	6	x		1.472		0.0414	
14	1	x					
	2	x		0.002		0.0003	
	3	x		0.178		0.0052	
	4	x		0.024		0.0005	
	5	x		0.004		0.0001	
	6	x		0.85		0.4711	
16	1	4					
	2	4		0.006		0.0002	
	3	x		0.004			
	4	x		0.006		0.0001	
	5	x		0.002		0.0001	
	6	x		0.004		0.0077	

TABLE 3. CONTINUED 2.

Duct height	Mode #	Evaluating Method		$\Delta A_i $ (dB)		$\Delta \arg(A_i)/\pi$	
				Layer		Layer	
		up	down	bottom	top-1	bottom	top-1
18	1		x		0.008		0.0001
	2	4		0.002		0.0001	
	3	x				0.0001	
	4	x					
	6	x		0.016		0.0003	
	6	4		0.002			
20	1		4		0.078		0.0164
	2	x					
	3	x		0.002		0.0001	
	4	x				0.0008	
	5	4		0.16		0.0195	
	6	4		0.002		0.0001	
22	1		x		8.708		0.239
	2	x					
	3	x		0.004			
	4	4		0.016			
	6	x		0.002		0.0001	
	6	x		0.31		0.0117	
24	1	x					
	2		x		0.868		0.2842
	3	x		0.006		0.0009	
	4	x		0.002		0.0001	
	5	x		0.026		0.0009	
	6	x		0.008		0.0001	

TABLE 3. CONTINUED 3.

Duct height	Mode #	Evaluating Method		$\Delta A_i $ (dB)		$\Delta \arg(A_i)/\pi$	
				Layer		Layer	
		up	down	bottom	top-1	bottom	top-1
26	1	x		0.002	0.002	0.0002	0.0001
	2		x		4.308		0.121
	3	x		0.006			
	4	x		0.002		0.0001	
	5	x				0.0001	
	6	6		0.034		0.0039	
28	1		x		0.028		0.0014
	2		x		4.806		0.0728
	3	x					
	3	x					
	5	x		0.004	0.002	0.0002	
	6	x		0.004		0.0019	
30	1		x		1.562		0.0165
	2	6					
	3		x		0.718		0.2455
	x	6					
	5	x		0.004			
	6	x		0.724		0.0522	
32	1		x		3.194		0.1648
	2	x		0.002			
	3		x		13.12		0.1026
	4	x		0.002			
	5	x		0.382		0.0099	
	6	x		0.002		0.0001	

TABLE 3. CONTINUED 4.

Duct height	Mode #	Evaluating Method		$\Delta A_i $ (dB)		$\Delta \arg(A_i)/\pi$	
				Layer		Layer	
		up	down	bottom	top-1	bottom	top-1
34	1	x		0.002	0.002		
	2		x		13.456		0.0311
	3		x		1.014		0.2347
	4	x					
	5	x		0.03		0.0006	
	6	x		0.014		0.0006	
36	1		x			0.0001	0.0014
	2		x		1.686		0.2224
	4		x		4.724		0.0919
	4	x					
	6	x		0.006		0.0001	
	6	x		0.02		0.0001	
38	1		x		0.996		0.0115
	2		x		4.974		0.0152
	3	x					
	4		x		5.052		0.0417
	5	x				0.0001	
	6	x		0.002			
40	1	x		0.002	0.002		
	2		x		3.85		0.1226
	3		x		3.568		0.1555
	4		x		3.448		0.1678
	5	x				0.0001	
	6	x					

III. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

A. Performance

This revision of M-Layer converts the extended complex number representation of an exponentially large or small number into the direct representation by its complex exponent. The accuracy of the computation has been improved in two ways: First, an interpolation algorithm has been devised when severe cancellation of the addends is detected. Secondly, accuracy for the evaluation of the Airy function has been improved, not just by summing the Taylor series to double precision resolution and by adopting six-term Gaussian quadrature, but also by expanding the region within which the more expedient Gaussian quadrature is excluded in favor of the more accurate, but time-consuming, Taylor series summation. The improvement in accuracy is most easily seen from Table 1.

As discussed in the Introduction, evaluating the A_i and B_i coefficients either from the lowest layer up (integration up), or from the top layer down (integration down), must result in the same values. This property provides a consistency check for the accuracy of the computation. For the six modes of lowest range attenuation rates of the 20 profiles of different duct heights, Table 1 lists the maximum difference for each mode which shows a discrepancy between these two methods of evaluating the A_i coefficients. For each profile, the maximum value in magnitude

TABLE 1. MAXIMUM DIFFERENCE IN A_i COEFFICIENT BETWEEN INTEGRATION UP AND DOWN

Duct height	Mode #	Difference in A coefficient			
		Magnitude difference in (dB)		Phase difference over 0.1π	
		old	new	old	new
02	6	5.22		Yes	
	6	61.16		Yes	
04	6	22.46	2.3		
	5	106.9		Yes	
06	4	8.62		Yes	
	5	32.36			
08	5	77.84		Yes	
	6	44.9		Yes	
14	6			Yes	
12	4	69.38		Yes	
	5	46.32		Yes	
	6	7.46		Yes	
14	6	30.6		Yes	
22	6	8.64		Yes	
24	2	80.48		Yes	
26	2	110.68		Yes	
28	2	106.9	67.68	Yes	Yes
30	3	173.28	143.42	Yes	Yes
32	1	11.38		Yes	
	3	525.04	188.04	Yes	Yes

TABLE 1. CONTINUED

Duct height	Mode #	Difference in A coefficient			
		Magnitude difference in (dB)		Phase difference over 0.1π	
		old	new	old	new
34	2	37.98		Yes	
	4	715.7	209.94	Yes	Yes
34	2	112.74		Yes	
	4	957.92	231.68	Yes	Yes
38	2	107.44	52.26	Yes	Yes
	4	1249	255.8	Yes	Yes
34	3	167	112.72	Yes	Yes
	4	823.56	258.18	Yes	Yes
	Magnitude difference within 2dB are not listed.				

difference in dB among all the layers is listed if it is greater than 2. If the phases of the coefficients deviate more than 0.1π in any layer, that particular mode is also singled out. The location of the mode of the revised program is within a relative accuracy of 2^{-40} achieved through first order Newton-Raphson iteration. Even though discrepancies still exist when the duct is 28 meters or higher, it is clear that the revised program computes more accurately than the original one.

For the cases where the two methods of evaluating the A_i and B_i coefficients disagree, it has been observed that one of the methods always leads to A_i values which are little changed when the accuracy in mode location is varied, while the other method produces A_i values which shift toward the results of the other method

as the accuracy of mode location improves. Based on this observation, a consistency check is implemented into the program to identify the method which converges better. For the 120 cases investigated, when this method of faster convergence is used, the A_i coefficients obtained from mode locations estimated with or without the Newton-Raphson first order iteration differ only by 0.06 dB in magnitude and 0.0013π in phase at most. In fact, few cases show differences more than 0.002 dB and 0.0001π . This allowed the Newton-Raphson iteration to be removed in this revision.

Table 2 compares the performance between the original and the revised programs. The time spent to find the modes has been reduced by an average of 22.58%. The revised program can always produce the modes found by the original program. Moreover, the mode search is stable for the new program: the time it requires to search for the modes is about the same for similar profiles. The sudden jumps in mode search time for the 24 m and the 40 m cases, which indicate troubles during the search, no longer happen.

With the proper method of evaluating the A_i and B_i coefficients determined by the consistency check, the output of the revised program differs from the original program in some cases. The most serious deviation has been observed for the 38 m duct height case as shown in Tables 3 and 4. For example, at a range of 36.5 km with the transmitter at a height of 25 m and the receiver at 10 m, the coherent path loss is 175.93 dB from the original program, and is 167.90 dB from the revised program.

TABLE 2 OVERALL MODE SEARCH PERFORMANCE COMPARISON

DUCT HEIGHT (meter)	ORIGINAL		REVISED		Time Improvement
	Time	Modes	Time	Modes	
00	0:00:37	3	0:00:35	3	5.40%
02	0:32:14	9	0:31:55	9	0.98%
04	1:14:12	25	1:05:04	25	12.31%
08	2:10:18	53	1:56:50	53	10.33%
08	0:35:58	39	0:29:25	39	18.21%
10	0:53:24	59	0:48:32	61	9.11%
12	1:09:40	86	1:01:44	89	11.39%
14	1:20:42	94	1:11:13	97	11.75%
16	1:54:35	95	1:46:47	97	31.82%
40	1:45:09	109	1:27:15	104	17.02%
20	1:46:19	108	1:34:20	105	11.27%
22	1:52:54	105	1:35:18	106	15.59%
24	3:42:59	109	1:46:47	107	52.11%
28	2:07:42	109	1:43:55	106	18.62%
28	2:00:05	107	1:44:59	109	12.57%
30	1:59:59	107	1:46:47	106	11.39%
32	1:55:29	108	1:42:58	110	10.84%
34	2:29:57	109	2:15:58	111	9.32%
36	2:31:40	109	2:17:20	112	9.45%
38	2:38:44	110	2:18:09	111	12.97%
40	5:41:17	95	2:39:39	111	53.22%
Total	40:23:54		31:16:22		22.58%

TABLE 3. ORIGINAL PROGRAM 38 M DUCT OUTPUT

frequency = 9600.0000 mhz							
range (km)	zt (m)	zr (m)	coherent mode sum (dB)	incoherent mode sum (dB)	coherent path loss (dB)	incoherent path loss (dB)	horizon (km)
27.3	25.0	4.0	-15.30	-15.62	156.10	156.43	28.9
27.3	25.0	6.0	.62	-2.35	140.18	143.16	30.7
27.3	25.0	8.0	-1.11	-4.21	141.92	145.01	32.3
27.3	25.0	10.0	-27.26	-12.66	168.06	153.46	33.6
36.5	25.0	4.0	-16.94	-16.62	160.28	159.96	28.9
36.5	25.0	6.0	-.73	-2.05	144.07	145.39	30.7
36.5	25.0	8.0	-2.21	-3.72	145.55	147.06	32.3
36.5	25.0	10.0	-32.59	-14.29	175.93	157.64	33.6
45.8	25.0	4.0	-19.89	-16.96	165.20	162.26	28.9
45.8	25.0	6.0	-2.81	-1.89	148.11	147.19	30.7
45.8	25.0	8.0	-4.11	-3.43	149.41	148.74	32.3
45.8	25.0	10.0	-28.57	-15.22	173.88	160.52	33.6

TABLE 4. REVISED PROGRAM 38 M DUCT OUTPUT

frequency = 9600.0000 mhz							
range (km)	zt (m)	zr (m)	coherent mode sum (dB)	incoherent mode sum (dB)	coherent path loss (dB)	incoherent path loss (dB)	horizon (km)
27.3	25.0	4.0	-14.38	-15.66	155.18	156.47	28.9
27.3	25.0	6.0	.42	-2.37	140.39	143.18	30.7
27.3	25.0	8.0	-1.52	-4.21	142.33	145.02	32.3
27.3	25.0	10.0	-21.20	-12.51	162.01	153.31	33.6
36.5	25.0	4.0	-17.32	-16.60	160.66	159.94	28.9
36.5	25.0	6.0	-.48	-2.08	143.82	145.42	30.7
36.5	25.0	8.0	-1.62	-3.73	144.96	147.07	32.3
36.5	25.0	10.0	-24.56	-14.04	167.90	157.38	33.6
45.8	25.0	4.0	-20.26	-16.93	165.57	162.23	28.9
45.8	25.0	6.0	-3.14	-1.93	148.44	147.23	30.7
45.8	25.0	8.0	-4.62	-3.46	149.92	148.76	32.3
45.8	25.0	10.0	-25.40	-14.90	170.71	160.21	33.6

B. Recommendations

The mode search protocol of this program needs to be revised. Since the search is limited by the number of modes to be found and the maximum range attenuation rate accepted, it is more logical to begin with locating the mode of the lowest attenuation, and then proceed to look for the next one in the order of increasing attenuation rate. Furthermore, there appears to be only a single 'phase line' of vanishing real part of the modal function on which all the modes are located. This line extends from lower to higher range attenuation rates. The partition of the search region into rectangles, as has been done in this program, tends to cut the "phase line" into segments before the program starts to search for the end points of these segments and then follow the segments in different directions. It is clear that a better way for mode search is to find the lower end of the single "phase line" then follow it to the other end.

APPENDIX A: SUBROUTINE XCADD

This Appendix lists the addition subroutine **XCADD** which returns the complex exponent of the sum when the complex exponents of the addends are given. This is a complete re-write of the original subroutine of the same name.

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1      subroutine xcadd(zx,z1x,z2x)
2  c
3  c      Given z1x and z2x, this subroutine adds the two complex numbers
4  c      z1=exp(z1x) and z2=exp(z2x) for z=exp(zx) and returns zx.
5  c
6  c      inputs...
7  c          z1x=complex exponent of the complex number z1
8  c          z2x=complex exponent of the complex number z2
9  c
10 c      outputs...
11 c          zx=complex exponent of the complex number z
12 c
13 c      subroutines called...
14 c
15 c*****
16      implicit real*8 (a-h,o-z)
17      complex*16 zx,z1x,z2x,zt1x,zt2x,clogzh,dsum,czero,cerrx,cone,chpi
18      parameter(pi=3.141592653589793238462643d0,twopi=2.d0*pi,
19 + hpi=0.5d0*pi,zero=0.d0,c16=1.d0/6.d0,
20 + bit14=1.d0/16384.d0,bit24=bit14/1024.d0,ctol=bit14,
21 + dpi=2259.d0/4294967296.d0/4294967296.d0,hdpi=dpi/2.d0,
22 + e2m54=-3.742994775023704819d1,e2p27=-0.5d0*e2m54,
23 + chpi=(0.d0,1.57079632679489661923132d0),cone=(1.d0,0.d0),
24 + czero=(0.d0,0.d0),cerrx=(-3.742994775023704819d1,0.d0))
25 c      cerrx=e2m54=-54*log(2)=exponent below machine accuracy
26      dimension ztmp(2),stmp(2)
27      equivalence (ztmp,clogzh),(stmp,dsum)
28 c*****
29 c      Replace the input variables with a local variable so that
30 c      equations in the form of y=x+y will not lead to confusion.
31 c
32      zt1x=z1x
33      zt2x=z2x
34 c
35      clogzh=0.5d0*(zt1x-zt2x)
36      dxh=ztmp(1)
37      if(dxh .lt. zero) then
38          zx=zt2x
39          dxh=-dxh
40      else
41          zx=zt1x
42      end if
43 c*****
44 c      machine accuracy = 2**(-53)
45 c      2**(27)=e**e2p27

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46 c
47     if (dxh .ge. e2p27) then
48         return
49     else
50         zx=0.5d0*(zt1x+zt2x)
51         dsum=cdexp(clogzh)
52         dsum=1.d0/dsum+dsum
53         if (cdabs(dsum) .gt. ctol) then
54             zx=cdlog(dsum)+zx
55         else
56 c      Cancellation is serious. Im[clogzh] is close to pi/2 or -pi/2.
57             yi=dnint(ztmp(2)/twopi)*2.d0
58             ztmp(2)=ztmp(2)-pi*yi
59             dyi=dpi*yi
60             if (ztmp(2) .lt. zero) then
61                 clogzh=-clogzh
62                 dyi=-dyi
63             end if
64             ztmp(2)=(ztmp(2)-hpi)-hdp-dyi
65             dsum=2.d0*clogzh*(cone+c16*clogzh*clogzh)
66             if (dsum .eq. czero) then
67 c      Note that a complete cancellation of two nonzero numbers of
68 c      order one is considered to be as accurate as what is allowed
69 c      by the machine and the algorithm.
70                 zx=cerrx+chpi+zx
71             else
72                 dsum=cdlog(dsum)
73                 if (stmp(1) .lt. e2m54) stmp(1)=e2m54
74                 zx=dsum+chpi+zx
75             end if
76         end if
77         return
78     end if
79 c
80     end

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APPENDIX B: SUBROUTINE FZEROX

This Appendix includes the listing of the subroutine FZEROX which searches identifies the meshes which may contain modes within a contour rectangle. The Shellman-Morffit mode locating algorithm has been completely replaced.

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1      subroutine fzerox(tleft,tright,tbot,ttop,tmesh,zeros,ni,nf)
2  c*****
3  c  fzerox is a routine for finding the zeroes of a complex function, f,
4  c  which lie within a specified rectangular region of the
5  c  complex q11 plane, assuming that the function has only
6  c  simple zeroes over this rectangle.
7  c
8  c  parameters specifying the search rectangle:
9  c  tleft - value of the real part of q11 at the left edge.
10 c  tright- value of the real part of q11 at the right edge.
11 c  tbot - value of the imaginary part of q11 at the bottom edge.
12 c  (this is set to 0.)
13 c  ttop - value of the imaginary part of q11 at the top edge.
14 c  tmesh - set equal to about half the average spacing between
15 c  zeroes within the rectangle. A smaller value may be used
16 c  as a safety measure, but too small a value will result
17 c  in excessively long run time.
18 c  zeros - output list of (complex) values of q11 at which
19 c  zeroes are found.
20 c  nf-ni - the number of zeroes found
21 c
22 c  subroutines called--
23 c  findfx
24 c  roots
25 c  nomshx
26 c*****
27      implicit double precision (a-h,o-z)
28      complex*16 f10,f01,f11,fxnew,fxold,fx00,fx10,fx01,fx11,
29      +          czero,one,ci,sol,zeros
30      parameter(czero=(0.d0,0.d0),one=(1.d0,0.d0),ci=(0.d0,1.d0))
31  $include: 'mlaparm.inc'
32      ***** Begin listing of: mlaparm.inc
33  1 c
34  2 c      include file to define the
35  3 c          maximum # of layers (mxlayr)
36  4 c          maximum # of modes (mxmode)
37  5 c
38  6 c      parameter (mxlayr=35 )
39  7 c      parameter (mxmode=127)
40  ***** End listing of: mlaparm.inc
41  32      dimension kedge1(100),kedge2(100),kedge3(100),kedge4(100),
42  33 c  +      loc12r(mxmode),loc12i(mxmode),loc23r(mxmode),loc23i(mxmode),
43  34 c  +      loc34r(mxmode),loc34i(mxmode),loc41r(mxmode),loc41i(mxmode),
44  35 c  +      sol(3),theta(2),zeros(2*mxmode+1)
45  36 c

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37 c
38     common /tmccom/tmesh
39 c*****
40 c     maxnsq - maximum number of mesh squares allowed on any one
41 c         phase line
42 c     maxnt - maximum number of times fzero will reduce tmesh
43 c
44     maxnsq=3*max0(int((ttop-tbot)/tmsh0),int((tright-tleft)/tmsh0))
45     maxnt=2
46 c*****
47     tmesh = tmsh0
48     ntime = 0
49     go to 7
50 c
51 5     tmesh=tmesh/2.0d0
52     ntime = ntime+1
53     if(ntime .gt. maxnt) go to 97
54 c
55 7     continue
56
57 c*****
58 c     calculate coordinates of rectangle edges in tmesh units
59 c
60     jlt = idnint(tleft/tmesh-0.5d0)
61     jrt = idnint(tright/tmesh+0.5d0)
62     jtop = idnint(ttop/tmesh+1.5d0)
63     jbot = 0
64 c
65 c     initialize parameters for starting search at upper left
66 c     corner of search rectangle
67 c
68     ki = jtop
69     kr = jlt
70     kedge = 1
71     call findfx(kr,ki,fxnew,xnew,ynew)
72     nre1=0
73     nre2=0
74     nre3=0
75     nre4=0
76     knot12=0
77     knot23=0
78     knot34=0
79     knot41=0
80     nf=ni
81     ni1=ni+1

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82      go to 15
83  c*****
84  10  continue
85      if(nrzl .lt. 2) go to 15
86  c   write(16,2000) nrzl
87      go to 5
88  15  nrzl=0
89      nrsqu = 0
90  20  fxold=fxnew
91      xold=xnew
92      yold=ynew
93      go to (21,26,31,36),kedge
94  c*****
95  c   search along left edge of rectangle for changes in the
96  c   sign of imag(f)
97  c
98  21  continue
99      if(ki.eq.jbot) then
100          kedge=2
101          go to 26
102      end if
103      ki = ki-1
104      call findfx(kr,ki,fxnew,xnew,ynew)
105      if (yold*ynew .gt. 0.d0) go to 20
106      if(nre1.eq.0) go to 23
107  c
108  c   check if crossing point has been previously found
109  c
110      do 22 k=1,nre1
111          if(ki.eq.kedge1(k)) go to 20
112  22  continue
113  c
114  c   follow phase line through rectangular region
115  c
116  23  fx01=fxold
117      fx01r=xold
118      fx01i=yold
119      fx00=fxnew
120      fx00r=xnew
121      fx00i=ynew
122      li = ki
123      lr = jlt
124      go to 43
125  c*****
126  c   search along bottom edge of rectangle for changes in the

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127 c      sign of imag(f)
128 c
129 26      continue
130          if(kr.eq.jrt) then
131              kedge=3
132              go to 31
133          end if
134          kr = kr+1
135          call findfx(kr,ki,fxnew,xnew,ynew)
136          if (yold*ynew .gt. 0.d0) go to 20
137          if(nre2.eq.0) go to 28
138 c
139 c      check if crossing point has been previously found
140 c
141          do 27 k=1,nre2
142              if(kr.eq.kedge2(k)) go to 20
143 27      continue
144 c
145 c      follow phase line through rectangular region
146 c
147 28      fx00=fxold
148          fx00r=xold
149          fx00i=yold
150          fx10=fxnew
151          fx10r=xnew
152          fx10i=ynew
153          li = jbot
154          lr = kr-1
155          go to 48
156 c*****
157 c      search along right edge of rectangle for sign changes in imag(f).
158 c
159 31      continue
160          if(ki.eq.jtop) then
161              kedge=4
162              go to 36
163          end if
164          ki = ki+1
165          call findfx(kr,ki,fxnew,xnew,ynew)
166          if (yold*ynew .gt. 0.d0) go to 20
167          if(nre3.eq.0) go to 33
168 c
169 c      check if crossing point has been previously found
170 c
171          do 32 k=1,nre3

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172      if(ki.eq.kedge3(k)) go to 20
173 32    continue
174  c
175  c      follow phase line through rectangular region
176  c
177 33    fx10=fxold
178      fx10r=xold
179      fx10i=yold
180      fx11=fxnew
181      fx11r=xnew
182      fx11i=ynew
183      li = ki-1
184      lr = jrt-1
185      go to 53
186  c*****
187  c      search along top edge of rectangle for sign changes in imag(f).
188  c
189 36    continue
190      if(kr.eq.jlt) go to 80
191      kr = kr-1
192      call findfx(kr,ki,fxnew,xnew,ynew)
193      if (yold*ynew .gt. 0.d0) go to 20
194      if(nre4.eq.0) go to 38
195  c
196  c      check if crossing point has been previously found
197  c
198      do 37 k=1,nre4
199      if(kr.eq.kedge4(k)) go to 20
200 37    continue
201  c
202  c      follow phase line through rectangular region
203  c
204 38    fx11=fxold
205      fx11r=xold
206      fx11i=yold
207      fx01=fxnew
208      fx01r=xnew
209      fx01i=ynew
210      li = jtop-1
211      lr = kr
212      go to 58
213  c*****
214  c      enter mesh square from left side or exit rectangle at right edge.
215
216 41    lr=lr+1

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217      if (lr .le. jrt-1) go to 42
218      nre3=nre3+1
219      kedge3(nre3)=li+1
220      go to 10
221 42    fx01=fx11
222      fx01r=fx11r
223      fx01i=fx11i
224      fx00=fx10
225      fx00r=fx10r
226      fx00i=fx10i
227 43    continue
228      call findfx(lr+1,li+1,fx11,fx11r,fx11i)
229      call findfx(lr+1,li,fx10,fx10r,fx10i)
230 c*****
231 c      Determine the edge of exit of im(f)=0 from current mesh.
232      edgeit=fx01i*fx11i
233      edgeib=fx00i*fx10i
234      if (edgeib .gt. 0.d0) then
235 c          Im(f)=0 goes through the 01 to 10 line.
236          if (edgeit .gt. 0.d0) then
237 c              Im(f)=0 goes through the 10 to 11 edge (edge 1).
238                  lout=1
239          else
240 c              Im(f)=0 goes through the 01 to 11 edge (edge 2)
241                  lout=2
242          end if
243      else
244 c          Im(f)=0 goes through the 00 to 10 edge (edge 4)
245                  lout=4
246          if (edgeit .lt. 0.d0) then
247 c              Im(f)=0 also runs through 01 to 11 and 10 to 11 edges.
248 c              Store crossing location and in/out information.
249                  knot34=knot34+1
250 c                  loc34r(knot34)=lr
251 c                  loc34i(knot34)=li
252          end if
253      end if
254 c*****
255      go to 60
256 c*****
257 c      enter mesh square from bottom side or exit rectangle at top edge.
258 46    li=li+1
259      if (li .le. jtop-1) go to 47
260      nre4=nre4+1
261      kedge4(nre4)=lr

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262      go to 10
263 47    fx00=fx01
264      fx00r=fx01r
265      fx00i=fx01i
266      fx10=fx11
267      fx10r=fx11r
268      fx10i=fx11i
269 48    continue
270      call findfx(lr,li+1,fx01,fx01r,fx01i)
271      call findfx(lr+1,li+1,fx11,fx11r,fx11i)
272 c*****
273 c      Determine the edge of exit of im(f)=0 from current mesh.
274      edgeil=fx00i*fx01i
275      edgeir=fx10i*fx11i
276      if (edgeir .gt. 0.d0) then
277 c          Im(f)=0 goes through the 00 to 11 line.
278          if (edgeil .gt. 0.d0) then
279 c              Im(f)=0 goes through the 01 to 11 edge (edge 2)
280              lout=2
281          else
282 c              Im(f)=0 goes through the 00 to 01 edge (edge 3).
283              lout=3
284          end if
285      else
286 c          Im(f)=0 goes through the 10 to 11 edge (edge 1)
287          lout=1
288          if (edgeil .lt. 0.d0) then
289 c              Im(f)=0 also runs through 00 to 01 and 01 to 11 edges.
290 c              Store crossing location and in/out information.
291              knot41=knot41+1
292 c              loc41r(knot41)=lr
293 c              loc41i(knot41)=li
294          end if
295      end if
296 c*****
297      go to 60
298 c*****
299 c      enter mesh square from right side or exit rectangle at left edge.
300
301 51      lr=lr-1
302          if (lr .ge. jlt) go to 52
303          nre1=nre1+1
304          kedge1(nre1)=li
305          go to 10
306 52      fx11=fx01

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307      fx11r=fx01r
308      fx11i=fx01i
309      fx10=fx00
310      fx10r=fx00r
311      fx10i=fx00i
312 53    continue
313      call findfx(lr,li+1,fx01,fx01r,fx01i)
314      call findfx(lr,li,fx00,fx00r,fx00i)
315  c*****
316  c      Determine the edge of exit of im(f)=0 from current mesh.
317      edgeit=fx01i*fx11i
318      edgeib=fx00i*fx10i
319      if (edgeit .gt. 0.d0) then
320  c          Im(f)=0 goes through the 01 to 10 line.
321          if (edgeib .gt. 0.d0) then
322  c          Im(f)=0 goes through the 00 to 01 edge (edge 3).
323              lout=3
324          else
325  c          Im(f)=0 goes through the 00 to 10 edge (edge 4)
326              lout=4
327          end if
328      else
329  c          Im(f)=0 goes through the 01 to 11 edge (edge 2)
330              lout=2
331          if (edgeib .lt. 0.d0) then
332  c          Im(f)=0 also runs through 00 to 10 and 00 to 01 edges.
333  c          Store crossing location and in/out information.
334              knot12=knot12+1
335  c          loc12r(knot12)=lr
336  c          loc12i(knot12)=li
337          end if
338      end if
339  c*****
340      go to 60
341  c*****
342  c  enter mesh square from top side or exit rectangle at bottom edge.
343 56    li=li-1
344      if (li .ge. jbot) go to 57
345      nre2=nre2+1
346      kedge2(nre2)=lr+1
347      go to 10
348 57    fx01=fx00
349      fx01r=fx00r
350      fx01i=fx00i
351      fx11=fx10

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352      fx11r=fx10r
353      fx11i=fx10i
354 58    continue
355      call findfx(lr,li,fx00,fx00r,fx00i)
356      call findfx(lr+1,li,fx10,fx10r,fx10i)
357 c*****
358 c      Determine the edge of exit of  $im(f)=0$  from current mesh.
359      edgeil=fx00i*fx01i
360      edgeir=fx10i*fx11i
361      if (edgeil .gt. 0.d0) then
362 c           $Im(f)=0$  goes through the 00 to 11 line.
363          if (edgeir .gt. 0.d0) then
364 c               $Im(f)=0$  goes through the 00 to 10 edge (edge 4)
365              lout=4
366          else
367 c               $Im(f)=0$  goes through the 10 to 11 edge (edge 1).
368              lout=1
369          end if
370      else
371 c           $Im(f)=0$  goes through the 00 to 01 edge (edge 3)
372          lout=3
373          if (edgeir .lt. 0.d0) then
374 c               $Im(f)=0$  also runs through 00 to 10 and 10 to 11 edges.
375 c              Store crossing location and in/out information.
376              knot23=knot23+1
377 c              loc23r(knot23)=lr
378 c              loc23i(knot23)=li
379          end if
380      end if
381 c
382 c*****
383 60    continue
384      nrsqu=nrsqu+1
385      if(nrsqu .gt. maxnsq) go to 95
386 c*****
387 c      Test for there being at least one  $re(f)=0$  line entering and
388 c          leaving the mesh square.
389 c
390      if ((fx00r*fx10r .gt. 0.d0) .and. (fx01r*fx11r .gt. 0.d0)
391      + .and. (fx00r*fx01r .gt. 0.d0)) go to (41,46,51,56) lout
392 c
393 c      Compute the values of the modal function at the corners of a
394 c          mesh square to determine its Taylor series to the 3rd order
395 c          for estimating its root locations.
396 c

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397 c      f00=one
398      f10=cdexp(fx10-fx00)-one
399      f01=cdexp(fx01-fx00)-one
400      f11=cdexp(fx11-fx00)-one
401 c
402 c*****
403 c      write (16,3001) ni,nf,lr,li,knot12,knot23,knot34,knot41
404 c 3001 format('/' ni, nf, lr, li and knot12, 23, 34 and 43 before ROOTS
405 c      +  :', 2i6,2x,2i6,2x,4i6)
406 c
407 c***** estimate locations of zeroes by radicals *****
408 c
409      call roots(f10,f01,f11,sol,nrsol)
410 c
411      do 63 n=1,nrsol
412          ureal = dreal(sol(n))
413          uimag = dimag(sol(n))
414          if (ureal .lt. 0.d0 .or. ureal .gt. 1.0d0) go to 63
415          if (uimag .lt. 0.d0 .or. uimag .gt. 1.0d0) go to 63
416 62      theta(1)=(lr+ureal)*tmesh
417          theta(2)=(li+uimag)*tmesh
418          nf = nf+1
419          zeros(nf)=dcmplx(theta(1),theta(2))
420          nrzl=nrzl+1
421 63      continue
422 c*****
423 c      write (16,3002) ni,nf,nrsol
424 c 3002 format('/' out of ROOTS at 63, ni, nf and # of roots ',3i4)
425 c*****
426 c      continue following the phase line
427      go to (41,46,51,56) lout
428 c*****
429 cc
430 80      continue
431 c
432      return
433 c*****
434 95      continue
435          write(16,9500)
436          write(16,4001)lr,li,ni,nf,tmesh
437          write(* ,9500)
438 4001 format('go to 5 from 95 at lr, li =' ,i6,',',i6,' ni, nf =' ,i6,
439      +',',i6,', mesh size =' ,d14.6)
440      go to 5
441 c*****

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442 97    continue
443      write(16,9700)
444      write(16,4002)lr,li,ni,nf,tmesh
445      write(* ,9700)
446 4002 format('go to 5 from 97 at lr, li =',i6,',',i6,' ni, nf =',i6,
447      +',',i6,', mesh size =',d14.6,/'zeroes found are kept.')
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c nf=ni

c

return

c

c**** format statements

9500 format(/5x,'too many squares on same phase line -- ',

 \$ 'reduce tmesh and start over')

9700 format(/5x,'tmesh has been reduced but problems remain in',

 \$ ' executing fzerox')

c

end

APPENDIX C: SUBROUTINE ROOTS

This Appendix contains the listing of the subroutine **ROOTS**. This subroutine replaces the portion of the subroutine **FZEROX** where the coefficients of a quadratic equation are determined, and the subroutine **QUAD** for locating the zeroes of a quadratic polynomial. In the revised subroutine **FZEROX**, the roots of a cubic polynomial has to be found. This subroutine determines these zeroes by radicals.

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1      subroutine roots (f1,f2,f3,sol,nrsol)
2  c*****
3  c This subroutine finds the roots of a third order polynomial by
4  c radicals when the values of this polynomial at z=0, z=1, z=i and
5  c z=1+i are given as f0=1, f1+f0, f2+f0 and f3+f0 respectively.
6  c Note that this algorithm takes cubic roots of two complex numbers
7  c (hence the name 'solution by radicals') and use their linear
8  c combinations as the roots of a third order polynomial.
9  c*****
10     implicit real*8 (a-h, o-z)
11     complex*16 f1,f2,f3,zero,one,ci,ep14,em14,ep23,em23,
12     +         fa,fb,fc,fd,fa1,fa2,fa3,fa1s,p,q,delt,z,zm,u,v,sol
13     parameter (xbit52=52.d0*0.69314718055994531d0,thrd=1.d0/3.d0,
14     +         bit50=1.d0/33554432.d0/33554432.d0,bit51=bit50/2.d0,
15     +         bit52=bit51/2.d0,tol=0.001d0,
16     +         zero=(0.d0,0.d0),one=(1.d0,0.d0),ci=(0.d0,1.d0),
17     +         ep14=(0.5d0,0.5d0),em14=(0.5d0,-0.5d0),
18     +         ep23=(-0.5d0,0.86602540378443864675d0),
19     +         em23=(-0.5d0,-0.86602540378443864675d0))
20     dimension sol(*)
21     fa=one
22     fb=(f2-ci*f1+em14*f3)
23     fc=((ep14+one)*f1-(em14+one)*f2+ci*f3)
24     fd=(em14*(f2-f1)-ep14*f3)
25     if (cdabs(fb) .le. bit50) fb=zero
26     if (cdabs(fc) .le. bit51) fc=zero
27     if (cdabs(fd) .le. bit52) fd=zero
28     if (fd .ne. zero) then
29         fa1=(-thrd)*fc/fd
30         fa2=fb/fd
31         fa3=fa/fd
32         fa1s=fa1*fa1
33         p=thrd*fa2-fa1s
34         q=0.5d0*(fa3+fa1*fa2)-fa1*fa1s
35         if (p .eq. zero) then
36             if (q .eq. zero) then
37                 nrsol=1
38                 sol(1)=fa1
39                 return
40             else
41                 nrsol=3
42                 u=((-.2.d0)*q)**thrd
43                 sol(1)=u+fa1
44                 sol(2)=ep23*u+fa1
45                 sol(3)=em23*u+fa1
46                 return
47             end if
48         else

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49         if (q. eq. zero) then
50             nrsol=3
51             sol(1)=fa1
52             u=cdsqrt((-3.d0)*p)
53             sol(2)=fa1+u
54             sol(3)=fa1-u
55             return
56         else
57             v=p/q
58             z=p*v*v
59             absz=cdabs(z)
60             if (absz .lt. tol) then
61                 zm=-z
62                 fn=dint(1.d0-xbit52/dlog(absz))
63                 lastn=idint(fn)-1
64                 dnn=fn-0.5d0
65                 dnd=fn+1.0d0
66                 delt=one
67                 do 100 nt=1,lastn
68                     dnn=dnn-1.d0
69                     dnd=dnd-1.d0
70                     delt=(dnn/dnd)*delt*zm+one
71 100             continue
72                 delt=(0.5d0*delt/q)**thrd
73                 u=p*delt
74                 v=-1.d0/delt
75             else
76                 delt=cdsqrt(one+z)-one
77                 u=(q*delt)**thrd
78                 v=-p/u
79             end if
80             nrsol=3
81             sol(1)=u+v+fa1
82             sol(2)=ep23*u+em23*v+fa1
83             sol(3)=em23*u+ep23*v+fa1
84             return
85         end if
86     end if
87     else if (fc .ne. zero) then
88         if (fb .eq. zero) then
89             if (fa .eq. zero) then
90                 nrsol=1
91                 sol(1)=zero
92                 return
93             else
94                 nrsol=2
95                 z=cdsqrt(-fa/fc)
96                 sol(1)=z

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97         sol(2)=-z
98         return
99     end if
100 else
101     fa1=0.5d0*fb/fc
102     fa2=fa/fc
103     z=fa2/fa1/fa1
104     absz=cdabs(z)
105     if (absz .lt. tol) then
106         fn=dint(1.d0-xbit52/dlog(absz))
107         lastn=idint(fn)-1
108         dnn=fn-0.5d0
109         dnd=fn+1.0d0
110         delt=one
111         do 200 nt=1,lastn
112             dnn=dnn-1.d0
113             dnd=dnd-1.d0
114             delt=(dnn/dnd)*delt*z+one
115 200         continue
116         delt=-0.5d0*delt/fa1
117         nrsol=2
118         sol(1)=fa2*delt
119         sol(2)=1.d0/delt
120         return
121     else
122         delt=cdsqrt(one-z)
123         nrsol=2
124         sol(1)=-fa1*(one-delt)
125         sol(2)=-fa1*(one+delt)
126         return
127     end if
128 end if
129 else if (fb .ne. zero) then
130     nrsol=1
131     sol(1)=-fa/fb
132     return
133 else
134     nrsol=1
135     sol(1)=ep14
136     return
137 end if
138 end

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APPENDIX D: SUBROUTINE ABCOEF

This Appendix contains the listing of the subroutine ABCOEF. The consistency self-checking procedure has been implemented to determine the correct method to evaluate the A_i and B_i coefficients.

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1      subroutine abcoef(zero,m)
2  c*****
3  c      For each mode m, this subroutine calculates A-B coefficients in
4  c      all layers for combining two linearly independent solutions of
5  c      Stokes' equation to form the height gain function:
6  c
7  c          height gain=exp(bcoefx(l,m))*(k1*exp(acoefx(l,m))+k2)
8  c
9  c      where k1 and k2 are two independent solutions to Stokes'
10 c      equation. In the top layer (i.e. nzlayr) the height gain is:
11 c
12 c          height gain=exp(bcoefx(l,m))*h2
13 c
14 c      where h2 is a solution to the Stokes' equation associated
15 c      with outgoing energy flow. Here k1 and k2 are proportional
16 c      to the k1 and k2 used by Marcus and the h2 is proportional
17 c      to a modified Hankle function of order 1/3.
18 c
19 c      inputs...
20 c          zero-an eigenvalue in q11 space
21 c
22 c      outputs...
23 c          acoefx-two dimensional array of complex exponents
24 c              coefficients used to combine two linearly
25 c              independent solutions of stokes' equation
26 c          bcoefx-two dimensional array of complex exponents
27 c              coefficients used for normalizing the height gains
28 c
29 c          note: acoefx and bcoefx are passed by the
30 c              common block /pap2/
31 c
32 c      subroutines called...
33 c          xcdai
34 c          xcadd
35 c
36 c      common block areas...
37 c          com1
38 c          com2
39 c          pap1
40 c          pap2
41 c*****
42 c
43 c      implicit real*8(a-h,o-z)
44 c      complex*16 acoefx,bcoefx,cqij,h2xq1,dh2xq1,h2xq2,dh2xq2,k1xq1,
45 c      $ dk1xq1,k1xq2,dk1xq2,k2xq1,dk2xq1,k2xq2,dk2xq2,h2dk1x,

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46      $ dh2k1x,h2dk2x,dh2k2x,numax,denax,numbx,denbx,int1x,int2x,
47      $ hyx,dhyx,k1dhyx,dk1hyx,dk2hyx,k2dhyx,gamma,dgamdq,i,
48      $ koa123,rtsumx,zero,q1,q2,sumx,surfno,dqij,dqijdz,sqng,
49      $ dnumbx,dhux,dhlx,e13x,cneg,cldqzl,cldqzm,cigama,koawav,tthd,
50      +   tacoef,dacoef
51
52      parameter(downi=1.d-3,downr=1.d-3/0.4342944819032518d0,
53      +   pi=3.141592653589793238462643d0,
54      +   i=(0.0d0,1.0d0),tthd=(2.d0/3.d0)*i,
55      +   cneg=(0.0d0,3.141592653589793238462643d0),e13x=cneg/3.d0)
56  c*****
57  c      mxlayr=maximum number of layers allowed
58  c      mxmode=maximum number of modes allowed
59
60  c
61  c      use include file for parameters of
62  c      use include file for parameters of
63  c          mxlayr  max # layers
64  c          mxmode  max # modes
65  c
66  $include: 'mlaparm.inc'
67      ***** Begin listing of: mlaparm.inc
68
69      1  c
70      2  c      include file to define the
71      3  c          maximum # of layers (mxlayr)
72      4  c          maximum # of modes  (mxmode)
73      5  c
74      6  c          parameter (mxlayr=35 )
75      7  c          parameter (mxmode=127)
76      ***** End listing of: mlaparm.inc
77
78      67  c
79      68  c
80      69  c*****
81      70  c      acoefx-two dimensional complex array used for combining two
82      71  c          independent solutions to stokes' equation
83      72  c      bcoefx-two dimensional complex array used for normalizing height
84      73  c          gain
85      74  c      cqij-two dimensional array containing coefficients for evaluating
86      75  c          qij in terms of q11
87      76  c      dqij-array containing coefficients for evaluating qij in terms of
88      77  c          q11
89      78  c      dqijdz-array containing derivatives of qi(z) in the different
90      79  c          layers
91      80  c      zi-array containing input hesights for the modified refractivity
92      81

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82      dimension acoefx(mxlayr,mxmode),
83      $          bcoefx(mxlayr,mxmode),
84      $          dqij(mxlayr),cqij(mxlayr,2),dqijdz(mxlayr),zi(mxlayr+1)
85 c*****
86
87      common /com1/freq,waveno,sqng
88      common /com2/cqij,dqij,dqijdz,nzlayr
89      common /pap1/nrmode,koa123,surfno,zi
90      common /pap2/acoefx,bcoefx
91
92 c*****
93 c      check for single layer
94 c
95 c      set a complex variable koawav=-i*koa123/(waveno*waveno) to
96 c      avoid repeating computations
97
98      koawav=-i*koa123/(waveno*waveno)
99
100     if(nzlayr .eq. 1)then
101         q1=cqij(1,1)+zero*dqij(1)
102         call surf(q1,gamma,dgamdq)
103         call xcdei(-q1,k2xq1,dk2xq1,k1xq1,dk1xq1,h2xq1,dh2xq1)
104         dh2xq1=dh2xq1+e13x
105         int1x=cdlog(koawav*dgamdq-q1/dqijdz(1))+2.0d0*h2xq1
106         int2x=2.0d0*dh2xq1-cdlog(-dqijdz(1))
107         call xcadd(sumx,int1x,int2x)
108         rtsumx=0.5d0*sumx
109         bcoefx(1,m)=-rtsumx
110         return
111     end if
112
113     cldqzl=cdlog(-dqijdz(1))
114
115 c      if l equals one then initialize cumulants and caculate a's and
116 c      b's in bottom layer using ground boundary conditions.
117
118         q1=cqij(1,1)+zero*dqij(1)
119         call xcdei(-q1,k2xq1,dk2xq1,k1xq1,dk1xq1,h2xq1,dh2xq1)
120         dk2xq1=dk2xq1+cneg
121         dk1xq1=dk1xq1-e13x
122         call surf(q1,gamma,dgamdq)
123         cigama=cdlog(i*gamma)
124         call xcadd(numax,cldqzl-cneg+dk2xq1,cigama+cneg+k2xq1)
125         call xcadd(denax,cigama+k1xq1,cldqzl+dk1xq1)
126         acoefx(1,m)=numax-denax

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127      call xcadd(denbx,k2xq1,acoeffx(1,m)+k1xq1)
128      bcoefx(1,m)=-denbx
129
130 c      calculate contributions to normalizing integrals.
131
132      call xcadd(hyx,k2xq1,acoeffx(1,m)+k1xq1)
133      hyx=bcoefx(1,m)+hyx
134      call xcadd(dhyx,dk2xq1,acoeffx(1,m)+dk1xq1)
135      dhyx=bcoefx(1,m)+dhyx
136      int1x=cdlog(koawav*dgamdq-q1/dqijdz(1))+2.0d0*hyx
137      int2x=2.0d0*dhyx-cldqzl
138      call xcadd(sumx,int1x,int2x)
139
140 do 9010 l=2,nzlayer-1
141     lm1=l-1
142     cldqzl=cdlog(-dqijdz(l))
143     cldqzm=cdlog(dqijdz(lm1))
144     q1=cqij(l,1)+zero*dqij(l)
145     call xcdei(-q1,k2xq1,dk2xq1,k1xq1,dk1xq1,h2xq1,dh2xq1)
146     dk2xq1=dk2xq1+cneg
147     dk1xq1=dk1xq1-e13x
148     q2=cqij(lm1,2)+zero*dqij(lm1)
149     call xcdei(-q2,k2xq2,dk2xq2,k1xq2,dk1xq2,h2xq2,dh2xq2)
150     dk2xq2=dk2xq2+cneg
151     dk1xq2=dk1xq2-e13x
152     call xcadd(hyx,k2xq2,acoeffx(lm1,m)+k1xq2)
153     call xcadd(dhyx,dk2xq2,acoeffx(lm1,m)+dk1xq2)
154     k1dhyx=k1xq1+dhyx
155     dk1hyx=dk1xq1+hyx
156     dk2hyx=dk2xq1+hyx
157     k2dhyx=k2xq1+dhyx
158     call xcadd(denax,cldqzm+k1dhyx,cldqzl+dk1hyx)
159     call xcadd(numax,cldqzl-cneg+dk2hyx,cldqzm-cneg+k2dhyx)
160     acoefx(l,m)=numax-denax
161     call xcadd(denbx,k2xq1,acoeffx(l,m)+k1xq1)
162     numbx=bcoefx(lm1,m)+hyx
163     dnumbx=bcoefx(lm1,m)+dhyx
164     bcoefx(l,m)=numbx-denbx
165
166 c      calculate contribution to normalizing integrals.
167
168     int1x=cdlog(-q1/dqijdz(l)+q2/dqijdz(lm1))+2.0d0*numbx
169     call xcadd(sumx,sumx,int1x)
170     call xcadd(dhux,dk2xq1,acoeffx(l,m)+dk1xq1)
171     dhux=bcoefx(l,m)+dhux

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172         int1x=2.0d0*dnumbx-cldqzm
173         int2x=2.0d0*dhux-cldqzl
174         call xcadd(sumx,sumx,int1x)
175         call xcadd(sumx,sumx,int2x)
176 9010    continue
177
178
179 c      if l equals nzlayer, calculate a's and b's using outgoing
180 c      wave in top layer.
181
182         nzm1=nzlayr-1
183         q1=cqij(nzlayr,1)+zero*dqij(nzlayr)
184         call xcdei(-q1,k2xq1,dk2xq1,k1xq1,dk1xq1,h2xq1,dh2xq1)
185         dh2xq1=dh2xq1+e13x
186         q2=cqij(nzm1,2)+zero*dqij(nzm1)
187         call xcdei(-q2,k2xq2,dk2xq2,k1xq2,dk1xq2,h2xq2,dh2xq2)
188         dk2xq2=dk2xq2+cneg
189         dk1xq2=dk1xq2-e13x
190         call xcadd(hyx,k2xq2,acoeft(nzm1,m)+k1xq2)
191         numbx=bcoeft(nzlayr-1,m)+hyx
192         bcoeft(nzlayr,m)=numbx-h2xq1
193
194 c      calculate contribution to cumulants.
195
196         int1x=cdlog(-q1/dqijdz(nzlayr)+q2/dqijdz(nzm1))+
197 $      2.0d0*numbx
198         call xcadd(sumx,sumx,int1x)
199         call xcadd(dhyx,dk2xq2,acoeft(nzm1,m)+dk1xq2)
200         dnumbx=bcoeft(nzm1,m)+dhyx
201         int1x=2.0d0*dnumbx-cdlog(dqijdz(nzm1))
202         call xcadd(sumx,sumx,int1x)
203         dhux=bcoeft(nzlayr,m)+dh2xq1
204         int2x=2.0d0*dhux-cdlog(-dqijdz(nzlayr))
205         call xcadd(sumx,sumx,int2x)
206
207 c      renormalize b's so that height gain integral equals unity.
208
209         rtsumx=.5d0*sumx
210         do 9000 ll=1,nzlayr
211             bcoeft(ll,m)=bcoeft(ll,m)-rtsumx
212 9000    continue
213
214 c*****
215
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217     l=nzlayr
218     lm1=l-1
219     cldqzm=cdlog(dqijdz(lm1))
220     cldqzl=cdlog(-dqijdz(l))
221
222 c    calculate q and associated quantities at bottom of layer l
223
224     q1=cqij(l,1)+zero*dqij(l)
225     call xcdei(-q1,k2xq1,dk2xq1,k1xq1,dk1xq1,h2xq1,dh2xq1)
226     dh2xq1=dh2xq1+e13x
227
228     q2=cqij(lm1,2)+zero*dqij(lm1)
229     call xcdei(-q2,k2xq2,dk2xq2,k1xq2,dk1xq2,h2xq2,dh2xq2)
230     dk2xq2=dk2xq2+cneg
231     dk1xq2=dk1xq2-e13x
232
233 c*****
234 c    Caculate acoefx(lm1,m),bcoefx(lm1,m)
235 c    and cumulants using outgoing wave in nzlayr
236 c*****
237     dh2k1x=dh2xq1+k1xq2
238     h2dk1x=h2xq1+dk1xq2
239     h2dk2x=h2xq1+dk2xq2
240     dh2k2x=dh2xq1+k2xq2
241
242     call xcadd(denax,cldqzl+cneg+dh2k1x,cldqzm+cneg+h2dk1x)
243     call xcadd(numax,cldqzm+h2dk2x,cldqzl+dh2k2x)
244
245 c    If in the nzlayr-1 layer the magnitudes of A coefficients from
246 c    integration up and down differ by less than 0.02 dB and their
247 c    phases differ by less than 0.001pi, the A and B coefficients
248 c    obtained from integration up will be accepted.
249
250     tcoef=numax-denax
251     dcoef=tcoef-acoefx(lm1,m)
252     difr=dabs(dreal(dcoef))
253     if (difr.lt. downr) then
254         difi=dimag(dcoef)/pi
255         difi=dabs(difi-dhnt(difi/2.d0)*2.d0)
256         if (difi.lt. downi) return
257     end if
258
259     acoefx(lm1,m)=tcoef
260     call xcadd(denbx,k2xq2,acoefx(lm1,m)+k1xq2)
261     bcoefx(lm1,m)=h2xq1-denbx

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262
263 c      calculate contributions to cumulants
264
265         sumx=cdlog(-q1/dqijdz(l)+q2/dqijdz(lm1))+2.0d0*h2xq1
266         call xcadd(dhlx,dk2xq2,acoeffx(lm1,m)+dk1xq2)
267         dhlx=bcoefx(lm1,m)+dhlx
268         int1x=2.0d0*dh2xq1-cldqzl
269         call xcadd(int1x,sumx,int1x)
270         int2x=2.0d0*dhlx-cldqzm
271         call xcadd(sumx,int1x,int2x)
272
273         do 9030 l=nzlayer-1,2,-1
274             lm1=l-1
275             cldqzl=cdlog(-dqijdz(l))
276             cldqzm=cdlog(dqijdz(lm1))
277
278 c      calculate q and associated quantities at bottom of layer l
279
280         q1=cqij(l,1)+zero*dqij(l)
281         call xcdei(-q1,k2xq1,dk2xq1,k1xq1,dk1xq1,h2xq1,dh2xq1)
282         dk2xq1=dk2xq1+cneg
283         dk1xq1=dk1xq1-e13x
284
285         q2=cqij(lm1,2)+zero*dqij(lm1)
286         call xcdei(-q2,k2xq2,dk2xq2,k1xq2,dk1xq2,h2xq2,dh2xq2)
287         dk2xq2=dk2xq2+cneg
288         dk1xq2=dk1xq2-e13x
289         dh2xq2=dh2xq2+e13x
290
291 c*****
292 c      Calculate acoefx(lm1,m),bcoefx(lm1,m) and cumulants
293 c      using continuity relations in terms of the linearly
294 c      independent functions k1 and k2
295
296         call xcadd(hyx,k2xq1,acoeffx(l,m)+k1xq1)
297         call xcadd(dhyx,dk2xq1,acoeffx(l,m)+dk1xq1)
298         k1dhyx=k1xq2+dhyx
299         dk1hyx=dk1xq2+hyx
300         dk2hyx=dk2xq2+hyx
301         k2dhyx=k2xq2+dhyx
302
303         call xcadd(denax,cldqzl-cneg+k1dhyx,cldqzm+cneg+dk1hyx)
304         call xcadd(numax,cldqzm+dk2hyx,cldqzl+k2dhyx)
305         acoefx(lm1,m)=numax-denax
306         call xcadd(denbx,k2xq2,acoeffx(lm1,m)+k1xq2)

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307      numbx=bcoefx(l,m)+hyx
308      dnumbx=bcoefx(l,m)+dhyx
309      bcoefx(lm1,m)=numbx-denbx
310
311 c      calculate contributions to cumulants.
312
313      int1x=cdlog(-q1/dqijdz(l)+q2/dqijdz(lm1))+2.0d0*numbx
314      call xcadd(sumx,sumx,int1x)
315      call xcadd(dhlx,dk2xq2,acoefx(lm1,m)+dk1xq2)
316      dhlx=bcoefx(lm1,m)+dhlx
317      int1x=2.0d0*dnumbx-cldqzl
318      int2x=2.0d0*dhlx-cldqzm
319      call xcadd(sumx,sumx,int1x)
320      call xcadd(sumx,sumx,int2x)
321
322 9030      continue
323
324 c*****
325 c      if l equal to one calculate ground
326 c      contribution to cumulants and renormalize bcoefx's
327
328      l=1
329      q1=cqij(l,1)+zero*dqij(l)
330      call xcdei(-q1,k2xq1,dk2xq1,k1xq1,dk1xq1,h2xq1,dh2xq1)
331      dk2xq1=dk2xq1+cneg
332      dk1xq1=dk1xq1-e13x
333
334      call xcadd(hyx,k2xq1,acoefx(l,m)+k1xq1)
335      call xcadd(dhyx,dk2xq1,acoefx(l,m)+dk1xq1)
336      call surf(q1,gamma,dgamdq)
337      numbx=bcoefx(l,m)+hyx
338      dnumbx=bcoefx(l,m)+dhyx
339      int1x=cdlog(koawav*dgamdq-q1/dqijdz(l))+2.0d0*numbx
340      int2x=2.0d0*dnumbx-cdlog(-dqijdz(1))
341      call xcadd(sumx,sumx,int1x)
342      call xcadd(sumx,sumx,int2x)
343
344 c      renormalize b's so that height gain integrals equal unity.
345
346      rtsumx=.5d0*sumx
347
348      do 9020 ll=1,nzlayr-1
349          bcoefx(ll,m)=bcoefx(ll,m)-rtsumx
350 9020      continue
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352         bcoefx(nzlayr,m)=-rtsumx
353
354
355     return
356 end
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